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THE AGE OF MUSIC.

We live in an age of music. In no period of the world's history has the "Art divine" been more widely or wisely studied and appreciated than in our own time. The concert has become an institution, and the organ has attained the position of an essential of civilization. We can boast of Gonoud, Ambrose Thomas, Richard Wagner, and others as composers, and Leiszt, Rubenstine, Mills, Heller, Morgan, Thayer, Buck, and others, as pianists and organists, while many of our houses have their pianos, and most of our churches and a goodly proportion of our private dwellings have the organ. The cost and size of the organ has heretofore been an obstacle in the way of its general use, but in the march of improvements these objections have been obviated entirely. Under the names of melodeons, parlor organs, cabinet organs, &c., the main features of the organ have been combined with much less than the average bulk and cost of a good piano. In consequence, the organ, in musical circles, is now "the rage." The best and most popular of organs, is the "Estey." This instrument is what it professes to be, AN ORGAN; it is not a *bogus piano*, nor a *hybrid organ*, which in trying to combine the excellencies of both, falls short of the merits of either; but is an organ reduced in size, but equal in all respects to all the requirements of an organ. The Estey organs are noted for their beautiful tones, both in power and sweetness, towering above all other instruments in these important and indispensable qualities. We have been led to these reflections from the fact that we have ourselves become the happy possessors of one of these magnificent organs, which we purchased of the gentlemanly and accomplished agents, Messrs. Sanders & Stayman, No. 15 N. Charles Street, whose palatial rooms we advise all our readers to visit, as they will find an array of musical instruments of the piano and organ class which cannot be seen anywhere else in our good city. Here may be seen the stately WEBER CONCERT GRAND PIANO, as well as the various styles of *square and upright*, of this celebrated maker, who has become the favorite maker of all our first-class artists and musicians. To those of our readers who may not find it convenient to visit the city, we would say write to these gentlemen for catalogues or any information you may desire regarding pianos and organs, and they will cheerfully respond, and any statements they may make can be fully relied upon.

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CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.

EXPLANATION.—The 1st column indicates the Disciplinary relation. E., Elder; D., Deacon; P., Probationer. The figures in the 2d column indicate the *year of admission on trial*—if into another Conference it is noted with the name. The 3d column, the name of the appointment, the 4th, the first, second, third or fourth years in the appointment, and the 5th column the Post Office address.

No.	NAMES.	1 Disciplinary Relation.	2 Year of Ad- mission on Trial.	3 APPOINTMENT.	4 Year of Appointment.	5 POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
1	Allen, George B.....	E	.....	Shenandoah Iron Works...	1	Shenandoah Iron Works, Page Co., Va.
2	Andrew, Jno. R.....	D	1874	Rainsburg.....	2	Bedford Co., Penn.
3	Armstrong, James E.....	E	1853	Fredericksburg.....	1	Fredericksburg, Va.
4	Armstrong, Alfred O.....	P	1876	Monterey....	1	Monterey, Highland Co., Va.
5	Baggs, J. Frederick.....	D	1874	Warren.....	1	Front Royal, Warren Co., Va.
6	Baldwin, Lucius H.....	E	1859	Linden.....	2	Warrenton, Fauquier Co., Va.
	Texas Conference.					
7	Ball, Benjamin F.....	E	1866	Augusta.....	1	Waynesboro, Augusta Co., Va.
8	Ball, Dabney.....	E	1843	East Baltimore District....	2	Baltimore, Md.
9	Balthis, Mabury G.....	E	1861	Luray.....	1	Luray, Page Co., Va.
10	Beall, Oliver C.....	E	1872	Farmwell.....	2	Farmwell, Loudoun Co., Va.
11	Beatty, James.....	E	1850	Gainsboro.....	1	Gainsboro, Frederick Co., Va.
12	Bishop, Henry D.....	E	1869	Highland.....	2	Mill Gap, Highland Co., Va.
13	Bond, Beverly W.....	E	1871	Trappe.....	2	Trappe, Talbot Co., Md.
14	Boone, Aaron.....	E	1857	Petersburg.....	1	Ridgeville, Mineral Co., W. Va.
	Virginia Conference.					
15	Boteler, John W.....	E	1861	Sup'y Mt. Vernon Place....	.....	Washington, D. C.
16	Boude, A. Poe.....	E	1858	Lewisburg.....	1	Lewisburg, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
17	Boyd, James H.....	P	1875	Upper Botetourt.....	1	Locust Bottom, Botetourt Co., Va.
18	Boyle, William K.....	E	1860	Lexington Station.....	2	Lexington, Rockbridge Co., Va.
19	Bradenbaugh, A. Ezra.....	P	1875	Fincastle.....	2	Fincastle, Botetourt Co., Va.

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20	Briley, Thomas.....	E	1859	Fairfield.....	1	Fairfield, Rockbridge Co., Va.
21	Brooke, George G.....	E	1829	Woodstock.....	1	Woodstock, Shenandoah Co., Va.
22	Brown, Charles M.....	P	1875	Rockville.....	2	Rockville, Montgomery Co., Md.
23	Brown, Thomas W.....	E	1867	Taylor's Circuit.....	4	Gardenville, Balto. Co., Md.
24	Bryan, William A.....	P	1876	Prince George's.....	1	White Plains, Charles Co., Md.
25	Burgess, Oscar F.....	D	1874	Hillsdale.....	1	Maple Lawn, Monroe Co., W. Va.
26	Busey, Ezra F.....	E	1842	Baltimore District.....	3	142 Carrollton Ave., Baltimore, Md.
27	Bush, Daniel L.....	P	1876	Luray.....	1	Luray, Page Co., Va.
28	Bush, David.....	E	1868	Freedom.....	1	Freedom, Balt. Co., Md.
29	Butt, Leonidas.....	E	1860	Lafayette.....	4	Lafayette, Roanoke Co., Va.
30	Butt, Shannon F.....	E	1859	Hillsboro.....	1	Hillsboro, Talbot Co., Md.
31	Cackley, Andrew M.....	P	1875	West River.....	1	Dunkirk, Calvert Co., Md.
32	Calwell, Henry C.....	P	1875	Blue Sulphur.....	1	Blue Sulphur, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
33	Canter, Isaac W.....	E	1866	Laurel.....	2	Rutland, Anne Arundel Co., Md.
34	Canter, John W.....	D	1859	White Sulphur Mission. ...	1	White Sulphur, Greenbrier Co., Va.
35	Carson, Thomas E.....	E	1853	Loudoun.....	2	Middleburg, Loudoun Co., Va.
36	Coe, Henry S.....	P	1875	Frankford.....	2	Frankford, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
37	Coe, William G.....	E	1854	Lewisburg District.....	2	Lewisburg, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
38	Collins, Geo. T. D.....	P	1876	Churchville.....	1	Churchville, Augusta Co., Va.
39	Cox, S. Keener.....	E	1844	St. Pauls.....	2	Baltimore, Md.
40	M. P. Conference. Crenshaw, L. H.—Va. Conf...	E	1859	Hamilton and Grove.....	2	Hamilton, Loudoun Co., Va.

41	Crickenberger, J. J.	E	1864	Centreville.	1	Indian Creek, Monroe Co., W. Va.
42	Dameron, Charles L.	E	1864	New Market.	2	New Market, Shenandoah Co., Va.
43	Davidson, Jno H.	P	1876	Roanoke Circuit.	1	Big Lick, Roanoke Co., Va.
44	Dice, John C.	E	1848	Rockville.	2	Rockville, Montgomery Co., Md.
45	Dolly, Adam B.	E	1853	Berryville.	2	Berryville, Clarke Co., Va.
46	Dolly, Saul B.	E	1856	Collierstown.	1	Collierstown, Rockbridge Co., Va.
47	Dorsey, Wm B.	P	1875	Rockingham Mission.	1	Keezletown, Rockingham Co., Va.
48	Duffey, Jefferson W.	E	1870	Salem.	3	Salem, Roanoke Co., Va.
49	Dulany, James II.	E	1860	Piedmont. ....	.....	Warrenton, Fauquier Co., Va.
St. Louis Conference.						
50	Eggleston, William G.	E	1837	Winchester Circuit.	4	Winchester, Va.
51	Engle, Joseph J.	E	1856	Roanoke Circuit.	3	Big Lick, Roanoke Co., Va.
52	Eskridge, Alfred A.	E	1830	Superannuated. ....	.....	Staunton, Va.
53	Etchison, Jason P.	E	1852	Arlington.	1	Arlington, Baltimore Co., Md.
54	Ewan, John W.	E	1853	Bladensburg.	2	Bladensburg, Prince Geo. Co., Md.
55	Ferguson, Sydnor G.	E	1872	Charlestown.	2	Charlestown, Jefferson Co., Va.
56	Flaherty, Adam Q.	E	1861	Monterey.	1	Monterey, Highland Co., Va.
57	Follansbee, J. M.	E	1849	Fincastle.	2	Fincastle, Botetourt Co., Va.
Texas Conference.						
58	Follin, James F.	E	1871	Crab Bottom.	1	New Hampden, Highland Co., Va.
59	Fox, Lafayette.	E	1872	Furnace No. 2.	2	Shenandoah Iron works, Page Co., Va.
60	Furr, Frazier.	E	1869	Sangersville.	2	Sangersville, Augusta Co., Va.
61	Gardner, Jas. S.	E	1853	Leesburg.	2	Leesburg, Loudoun Co., Va.
62	Gaver, Hamilton A.	E	1853	Fauquier Circuit.	4	Cattletts, Fauquier Co., Va.
63	Gearhart, Alfred C.	D	1874	Summer's Mission.	1	Hinton, Summer's Co., W. Va.
64	Gilbert, J. Kyle.	P	1875	Fairfield.	1	Fairfield, Rockbridge Co., Va.
65	Gilbert, Jno. L.	E	1842	Lexington District.	3	Lexington, Rockbridge Co., Va.
66	Grandin, J. M.	E	1845	Sunday School & Tract Agt. ....	.....
67	Gray, Jno. M.	E	1860	North River. ....	.....	Hanging Rock, Hampshire Co., W. Va.
68	Graybill, Lewis C.	E	1859	Mt. Sidney.	1	New Hope, Augusta Co., Va.
69	Green, L. Rosser.	P	1875	Hillsboro.	1	Hillsboro, Loudoun Co., Va.
70	Haddaway, Charles M.	P	1875	Calvert.	1	Prince Frederick, Calvert Co., Md.
71	Haddaway, Sam'l W.	E	1869	North Baltimore.	2	Baltimore, Md.
72	Hall, John P.	E	1853	Darnestown Mission.	1	Lisbon, Howard Co., Md.
73	Hammond, Wesley.	E	1864	Keyser.	2	Keyser, Mineral Co., W. Va.

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74	Hammond, William C..... Virginia Conference.	E	1857	Falls Church.....	2	Falls Church, Fairfax Co., Va.
75	Hank, Jehu..... Virginia Conference.	E	1828	Superannuated.....		Maple Lawn, Monroe Co., W. Va.
76	Hank, John M.....	E	1851	Supernumerary..	1	Baltimore, Md.
77	Hanna, Jno. D. C.....	D	1874	Springfield.....	2	Springfield, Hampshire Co., W. Va.
78	Hannon, John.....	E	1870	Emmanuel....		Baltimore, Md.
79	Harper, Wm. H. D.....	E	1868	Superannuated ..		Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
80	Harris, Wm. A..... Holston Conference.	E	1861	Wesleyan Female Institute..		Staunton City, Va.
81	Haslup, Lemuel W.....	E	1861	East Baltimore.....	2	Baltimore, Md.
82	Head, Nelson.....	E	1834	Washington District.....	4	Leesburg, Loudoun Co., Va.
83	Hedges, William.....	E	1859	Superannuated ..		Capon Springs, W. Va.
84	Hedrick, Wm. W.....	P	1875	James River.....	1	Natural Bridge, Rockbridge Co., Va.
85	Henry, Edward H.....	E	1860	West River.....	2	Dunkirk, Calvert Co., Md.
86	Heterick, Edward F.....	E	1857	Supernumerary, Fred'k Mis.		Winchester, Va.
87	Higgins, James F.....	E	1867	Warrenton.....	2	Warren, Fauquier Co., Va.
88	Highly, Burton S.....	E	1868	Frederick Avenue.....	3	Baltimore, Md.
89	Hildebrand, Thomas.....	E	1838	Superannuated ..		McDowell, Highland Co., Va.
90	Hiner, William M.....	D	1873	Morgan Mission.....	2	Bath, Morgan Co., W. Va.
91	Hoffmau, Henry.....	E	1841	Superannuated.....		Keyser, Mineral Co., W. Va.
92	Hough, Robert R. S.....	E	1854	Roanoke District.....	1	Salem, Roanoke Co., Va.

93	Hummer, James C.....	E	1854	Supernumerary, Emmanuel.....	Baltimore, Md.
94	Hutchinson, John S....	E	1870	South Branch.....	3 Romney, Hampshire Co., W. Va.
95	Hyde, John P.....	E	1860	Lonoake Female College.....	Martinsburg, W. Va.
96	Jefferson, George R.....	E	1855	Supernumerary, Churchville.....	Parnassus, Augusta Co., Va.
97	Jones, Lewis R.....	E	1860	Hillsboro.....	2 Hillsboro, Loudoun Co., Va.
98	Joyce, Charles A.....	E	1861	Fairfax.....	2 Fairfax C. H., Va.
99	Kennedy, Henry H.....	E	1868	Calvary.....	2 Baltimore, Md.
100	Keppler, Samuel.....	E	1827	Superannuated.....	Baltimore, Md.
101	Kern, John A.....	E	1866	Central.....	3 Baltimore, Md.
102	Kinzer, Hamilton W.....	E	1871	Charles.....	Mechanicsville, St. Mary's Co., Md.
103	Kibler, J. Latimer.....	P	1876	Jefferson.....	1 Charlestown, Jefferson Co., Va.
104	Kregelo, Ephraim L.....	E	1853	Superannuated.....	Lexington, Rockbridge Co., Va.
105	Landstreet, John.....	E	1848	Baltimore Circuit.....	Reisterstown, Baltimore Co., Md.
106	Lightner, George W.....	E	1868	East Harford.....	1 Aberdeen, Harford Co., Md.
107	Lightner, Geo. Samuel.....	P	1876	Talbot.....	1 Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
108	Linthicum, Charles G.....	E	1846	Linden Mission.....	1 Clarksville, Montgomery Co., Md.
109	Lloyd, Lewis L.....	D	1872	Montgomery.....	2 Clarksburg, Montgomery Co., Md.
110	Lynch, Wm. L.....	E	1872	Frankford.....	1 Frankford, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
111	Maloy, Wm. C.....	E	1863	Front Royal and Riverton..	1 Front Royal, Warren Co., Va.
North Georgia Conference.					
112	March, James H.....	E	1842	Christiansburg.....	1 Christiansburg, Montgomery Co., Va.
113	Markwood, Luke R.....	P	1875	Listonville.....	2 Listonville, Somerset Co., Penna.
114	Martin, Asbury R.....	E	1868	Supernumerary, Montgom'y.....	Poolsville, Montgomery Co., Md.
115	Martin, John S.....	E	1835	Staunton.....	2 Staunton, Va.
116	Martin, Lewis G.....	E	1868	Wardensville.....	1 Wardensville, Hardy Co., W. Va.
117	Mauzey, Gilson.....	E	1851	Bridgewater.....	2 Bridgewater, Rockingham Co., Va.
Virginia Conference.					
118	Maxwell, John T.....	E	1866	Rockingham Mission.....	2 Broadway, Rockingham Co., Va.
119	McDonald, Wm. A.....	E	1866	South River.....	1 Rutland, Anne Arundle, Md.
120	McIlhenny, Rob't A.....	P	1875	Loudoun.....	2 Middleburg, Loudoun Co., Va.
121	McNeer, Asbury C.....	E	1871	Hardy Mission.....	1 Lost River, Hardy Co., W. Va.
122	Mercer, Francis A.....	E	1855	Kent.....	1 Millington, Kent Co., Md.
123	Miller, Louis C.....	E	1863	Martinsburg.....	Martinsburg, W. Va.
124	Miller, Wm. E.....	D	1871	Laurel.....	1 Laurel, Prince George's Co., Md.
125	Mills, Francis M.....	E	1832	Supernumerary, Alexandria.....	Alexandria, Va.
126	Neale, Allen A. P.....	E	1863	Prince George's.....	1 White Plains, Charles Co., Md.

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127	Nevitt, Thomas G.....	D	1874	Frostburg.....	1	Frostburg, Md.
128	Perry, Wm. J.....	E	1858	Superannuated.....	Contees, Prince George's Co., Md.
129	Pitzer, Henry C.....	E	1872	Union.....	2	Union, Monroe Co., W. Va.
130	Poisal, John.....	E	1827	Supernumerary, Leesburg.....	.....	Baltimore, Md.
131	Porter, James S.....	E	1857	West Augusta.....	1	
	Virginia Conference.					
132	Quinn, Wm. T.....	E	1856	Covington.....	2	Covington, Alleghany Co., Va.
	Philadelphia Conference.					
133	Regester, J. Asbury.....	D	1874	Cumberland.....	1	Cumberland, Md.
134	Regester, Samuel.....	E	1840	Winchester District.....	3	Contees, Prince George's Co., Md.
135	Richey, Francis H.....	E	1843	Strasburg.....	1	Strasburg, Shenandoah Co., Va.
136	Robey, Andrew.....	E	1860	Port Republic.....	1	Port Republic, Rockingham Co., Va.
137	Rodgers, Samuel.....	E	1848	Winchester.....	2	Winchester, Va.
138	Ross, Robert.....	D	1868	New Castle.....	4	New Castle, Craig Co., Va.
139	Ross, Wm. O.....	E	1869	Lexington Circuit.....	1	Lexington, Rockbridge Co., Va.
140	Roszell, S. Samuel.....	E	1848	Harrisonburg.....	2	Harrisonburg, Va.
141	Ryder, Stewart S.....	E	1869	Bath.....	2	Cleck's Mills, Bath Co., W. Va.
	West Virginia Conference.					
142	Sargent, Thomas B.....	E	1825	Superannuated.....	.....	Baltimore, Md.
143	Sanders, Wm. Henry.....	P	1876	Peterstown.....	1	Maple Lawn, Monroe Co., W. Va.
144	Scanlon, Michael P.....	D	1874	Augusta.....	1	Waynesboro, Augusta Co., Va.
145	Seat, Wm. H.—Memphis Con.	E	1841	Piedmont Station.....	1	Piedmont, Mineral Co., W. Va.

146	Sedwick, Jno. C.	E	1872	Franklin.....	1	Franklin, Pendleton Co., W. Va.
147	Shipley, Francis H.....	E	1869	Sinking Creek.....	2	Newport, Giles Co., W. Va.
148	Shipley, J. Lester.....	E	1860	Shepherdstown.....	1	Shepherdstown, Jefferson Co., W. Va.
	Virginia Conference.					
149	Shoaff, J. Watts	P	1875	Fairfax.....	2	Fairfax, C. H., Va.
150	Simmons, Chas. E.....	D	1874	Queen Anne's.....	1	Ingleside, Queen Anne Co., Md.
151	Sixcas, P. S. E.....	E	1856	Superannuated.....	.....	Clintonville, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
152	Smith, Eugene R.....	E	1860	Supernumerary, Trinity.....	.....	Baltimore, Md., 246 West Baltimore Street.
	Texas Conference.					
153	Smith, J. Timothy.....	E	1872	Catawba Mission.....	1	Newport, Giles Co., W. Va.
154	Smith, Presley B.....	E	1853	Beltsville	1	Beltsville, Prince Geo. Co., Md..
155	Smith, Robert.....	E	1840	Prince William	1	Manassas, Prince Wm. Co., Va.
156	Smithson, Rumsey.....	E	1854	Talbot... ..	2	Easton, Talbot Co., Md.
	Illinois Conference					
157	Snapp, Silas R	E	1867	Flint Stone.....	1	Flint Stone, Alleghany Co., Md.
158	Spangler, Joseph N.....	E	1845	Supernumerary, St. Paul's.....	.....	Baltimore, Md.
159	Steele, John W.....	D	1873	West Harford.....	1	Jarrettsville, Harford Co., Md.
160	Stevenson, George.....	E	1841	Frederick Mission.....	4	N. T. Stephensburg, Frederick, Co., Va.
161	Strickler, H. Monroe.....	E	1867	Green Bank.....	2	Green Bank, Pocohontas Co., W. Va.
162	Stringer, William R.....	E	1845	Linganore.....	1	Unionville, Frederick Co., Md.
163	Strother, Francis A....	E	1872	East Rockingham.....	2	McGaheysville, Rockingham Co., Va.
164	Taylor, Milton A.....	E	1866	Super'y, Wardensville.....	.....	Wardensville, Hardy Co., W. Va.
165	Temple, Joseph H.....	E	.....		1	Stafford C. H., Va.
166	Thomas, David.....	E	1833	Rockingham District.....	2	No. 10 S. Calhoun Street, Baltimore, Md.
167	Tongue, John W.....	E	1844	Superannuated .....	.....	Charlestown, Jefferson Co., W. Va.
168	Torreyson, Charles L.....	E	1860	Calvert.....	1	Prince Frederick, Calvert Co., Md.
169	Townsend, Sylvanus.....	E	1863	Brucetown.....	2	Wadesville, Clarke Co., Va.
	Philadelphia Conference.					
170	Tyler, George T.....	E	1869	Frederick City.....	4	Frederick City, Md.
171	Vandiver, Edward G.....	P	1876	South Branch.....	1	Romney, Hampshire Co., W. Va.
172	VanHorne, James R.....	E	1866	Levelton.....	2	Academy, Pocohontas Co., W. Va.
173	Varner, Washington.....	D	1873	Green Valley Mission	1	Millboro, Bath Co., Va.
174	Wade, Wm. A.....	E	1868	Montgomery.....	2	Poolsville, Montgomery Co., Md.
175	Watts, Henry T.....	P	1875	Circleville Mission.....	.....
176	Watts, Walter W.....	E	1867	Queen Anne.....	2	Ingleside, Queen Anne Co., Md.
177	Waugh, J. Hoffman	E	1842	Alexandria.	3	Alexandria, Va.

CONFERENCE DIRECTORY.—Concluded.

No.	NAMES.	1	2	3	4	5
		Disciplinary Relation.	Year of Ad- mission on Trial.	APPOINTMENT.	Year of Appointment.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
178	Way, Alfred H.	D	1873	Bethel Mission.....		
179	Weller, Addison.....	E	1864	Blacksburg.....	1	Blacksburg, Montgomery Co., Va.
180	Welty, Elias.....	E	1864	Superannuated.....	....	Baltimore, Md.
181	Wheeler, Rufus M.....	D	1874	Edray Mission.....	1	Huntersville, Pocohontas Co., Va.
182	Wheeler, Vincent W.....	D	1873	White Sulphur.....	2	White Sulphur Springs, Va.
183	Wheelwright, Wm. H.....	E	1846	Superannuated.....	.....	Nineveh, Warren Co., Va.
	Virginia Conference.					
184	Whisner, Peter H.....	E	1861	Moorefield District.....	2	Cumberland City, Md.
185	Wilburn, Ballard R.....	D	1873	Emory.....	1	Brightwood, Washington Co., Va.
186	Williams, James T.....	E	1873	Blue Sulphur.....	1	Blue Sulphur, Greenbrier Co., Va.
187	Williams, Robert M.....	D	1874	Severn.....	1	Annapolis, Md.
188	Wilson, Alpheus W.....	E	1853	Mt. Vernon Place, Wash...	4	Washington City, D. C.
189	Wilson, Henry A.....	P	1876	Bruce town.....	1	Wadesville, Clarke Co., Va.
190	Wilson, Norval.....	E	1821	Superannuated.....	.....	Winchester, Va.
191	Wilson, Rufus H.....	E	1867	Cedarville Mission.....	1	Winchester, Va.
192	Wilson, Wm. H.....	E	1844	Churchville.....	1	Churchville, Augusta Co., Va.
193	Wolff, James H.....	E	1855	Springfield.....	4	Springfield, Hampshire Co., W. Va.
194	Wolff, John W.....	E	1846	Berkeley.....	2	Hedgesville, Berkeley Co., W. Va.
195	Woolfe, W Eggleston.....	P	1876	Franklin.....	1	Franklin, Pendleton Co., W. Va.
196	Zimmerman, Geo H.....	E	1860	Moorefield.....	1	Moorefield, Hardy Co., W. Va.

LAY DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE, MARCH, 1876.

	Post Office Address.
Baltimore District—	
Stephen Beard.....	Rutland, Anne Arundle Co., Md.
John B. Ray.....	Baltimore, Md.
John R. Mills.....	Liberty P. O., Frederick Co, Md.
Rev. S. H. Williams.....	Baltimore, Md.
East Baltimore District—	
Elisha Carback.....	Baltimore, Md.
L. McKendree Griffith..	
David Clements.....	Chesterville, Kent Co, Md.
Charles R. Sevier.....	Millersville, Anne Arundel Co., Md.
Washington District—	
Joseph Helm.....	Hamilton, Loudoun Co., Va.
Jesse B. Wilson.....	Washington City, D. C.
Joseph H. Nelson.....	
William H. May.....	Alexandria, Va.
Winchester District—	
Richard McCoy.....	Riverton, Warren Co., Va.
Jacob B. Larrick.....	White Post, Clarke Co., Va.
Solomon Fleming	Summit Point, Jefferson Co., W. Va.
W. L. Noland	Wadesville, Clarke Co., Va.
Rockingham District.	
Rev. William Milnes, Jr.....	Shenandoah Iron Works, Page Co., Va.
Joseph T. Logan.....	Harrisonburg, Rockingham Co., Va.
James W. Newton	Staunton, Va.
George M. Miller.....	Woodstock, Shenandoah Co., Va.
Roanoke District—	
James H. H. Figgatt.....	Fincastle, Botetourt Co., Va.
Jacob Mohler.....	Balcony Falls, Rockbridge Co., Va.
Rev. John D. Eddington.....	Big Lick, Roanoke Co., Va.
Hamilton D. Wade.....	Christiansburg, Montgomery Co., Va.
Lewisburg District—	
George Law.....	Lewisburg, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
F. B. Wheelwright.....	
Joseph Beard.....	
David Watts.....	W. Sulphur Spgs, Greenbrier Co., W. Va.
Lexington District—	
John S. Myer.....	Waynesboro, Augusta Co., Va.
Nathaniel McKenny.....	Clifton Forge, Alleghany Co, Va.
Robert A. Hillis.....	Lexington, Rockbridge Co., Va.
William S. Humphries.....	
Moorefield District—	
Rev. Henry Homan.....	Ridgeville, Mineral Co., W. Va.
J. F. Pennypacker.....	
William M. Price.....	Cumberland City, Md.
R. W. Parker.....	

Officers, Boards and Committees of the Conference.

SESSION, MARCH 1-3, 1876.

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BISHOP ENOCH M. MARVIN, D. D.

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JOHN S. MARTIN, D. D.

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GEORGE T. TYLER.

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THOMAS J. MAGRUDER,

HENRY F. ZIMMERMAN.

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STANDING COMMITTEES.

Public Worship.

PRESIDING ELDER WINCHESTER DISTRICT.

PREACHER IN CHARGE OF WINCHESTER STATION.

Memoirs.

THOMAS E. CARSON,
WM. H. SEAT,

S. RODGERS,

H. H. KENNEDY,
G. STEVENSON.

Sunday Schools.

Clerical.

G. G. BROOKE,
S. W. HADDAWAY,
C. A. JOYCE,
S. G. FERGUSON,
WM. O. ROSS,
J. T. WILLIAMS,
W. L. LYNCH,
S. B. DOLLY,
WESLEY HAMMOND.

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Education.

J. A. KERN,
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J. MOHLER,
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R. R. S. HOUGH,
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J. W. NEWTON,
D. WATTS,
N. McKENNY,
R. W. PARKER,
J. H. H. FIGGATT.

Bible Cause.

J. H. WAUGH,

I. W. CANTER,

R. R. S. HOUGH.

Temperance.

Clerical.

WM. A. WADE;
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J. J. ENGLE,
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S. R. SNAPP.

Lay.

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D. CLEMENTS,
W. L. NOLAND,
J. HELM,
J. W. NEWTON,
J. D. EDDINGTON;
D. WATTS,
W. S. HUMPHRIES,
R. W. PARKER.

To Collect Accounts for Southern Methodist Publishing House.

LEMUEL W. HASLUP.

To Receive and Distribute Letters for the Conference.

WM. E. MILLER.

To Distribute Return Tickets of Travel from Conference.

JOHN P. HYDE.

Visitors introduced to the Conference.

REV. BROTHER	GILBERT, of the Lutheran Church.
"	" FISHER, of the German Reformed Church.
"	" NELSON, of the United Brethern Church.
"	" BILLINGS, of the Presbyterian Church.
"	" JAMES A. DUNCAN, D.D., President of Randolph Macon College.
"	" LAFFERTY, of the Virginia Conference.
"	" CARSON WATSON, " "
"	" WHITE, of the Presbyterian Church.
"	" J. B. McFERRIN, Missionary Secretary of M. E. Church, South.

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OF THE

PROCEEDINGS OF CONFERENCE.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, *March 1st, 1876.*

The Baltimore Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, commenced its ninety-second session in the Braddock Street Church, Winchester, Virginia, Wednesday morning, March 1st, 1876, at 9 o'clock.

Bishop ENOCH M. MARVIN, D. D., *President of the Conference*, in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by the Bishop, consisting of reading the Sacred Scriptures, Matt. XXVIII,—singing hymn 264,

“How rich thy bounty King of Kings,”

and prayer led by the Bishop. Also singing hymn 595,

“A charge to keep I have,”

and prayer led by Presley B. Smith.

ROLL CALLED.

The roll of clerical members was called by the Secretary of the last session, and 81 responded to their names—(see Conference directory.)

The roll of lay representatives, as reported by the Presiding Elders, was called, and 25 answered to their names.

(For names of lay representatives, see Conference directory.)

SECRETARIES.

On motion, John S. Martin, was re-elected Secretary, and on his nomination, James E. Armstrong, William G. Coe, D. D., and George T. Tyler, were re-elected Assistant Secretaries.

On motion, the resolution of last year was so changed as to require the Financial Exhibit, signed by the Recording Stewards of the several charges, to be made to the Secretary as heretofore—the report of disciplinary collections to the Joint

Board of Finance only, and the amounts of Missions, Home and Foreign, separately, to the Treasurer of the Conference Mission Board.

William E. Miller was appointed as Postmaster for the Conference, to receive and distribute letters, &c.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Standing Committees on Sunday Schools, Publishing Interests, Education and Temperance were ordered, to be composed, each, of one clerical and one lay representative from the several Presiding Elders' Districts.

A Committee on the Bible cause, to be composed of three members, and also a Committee on Memoirs, to be composed of five members, were severally ordered.

The Presiding Elder of Winchester District, and the Preacher in charge of Winchester Station were appointed a committee on public worship

Conference resolved to meet daily at 9 o'clock A. M., and adjourn at 1 o'clock P. M.

REPORT OF PUBLISHING HOUSE.

The report and exhibit of the Southern Methodist Publishing House at Nashville, from Rev. A. H. Redford, D. D., Agent, were presented and read, and referred to the Committee on Publishing Interests, and to the Committee on Sunday Schools.

MISSIONS.

Communications from Rev. J. B. McFerrin, D. D., and Rev. D. C. Kelly, Secretaries of the Board of Missions, at Nashville, were presented, read, and referred to the Conference Board of Missions.

Rev. J. B. McFerrin, D. D. addressed the Conference in relation to the missionary operations of the Church.

A book of accounts from the agents of the Southern Methodist Publishing House, was placed in the hands of L. W. Haslup, for collection.

REPORT ON CONFERENCE PAPER.

The committee appointed at the last Conference, to take into consideration the propriety of establishing a conference paper, submitted a report, which was read.

On motion, the report was received and the committee discharged.

P. H. Whisner was excused from serving with the Committee of Examination of the third year, and J. C. Dice was appointed in his stead.

EXAMINATION, WITH OPEN DOORS.

Conference ordered that the examination of the characters of its members, should be conducted with open doors.

The Twentieth Question of the "General Minutes" was called, viz: "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? (For answer see General Minutes.)

The Seventeenth Question of the "General Minutes" was called, viz: "Who are Supernumerary? (For answer see General Minutes.)

FRATERNAL.

A communication was presented and read from Rev. L. W. Bates and L. W. Cox, appointed as *Fraternal Messengers* from the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

On motion, the communication was respectfully received.

The Eighteenth Question of the "General Minutes" was called, viz: "Who are Superannuated? (For answer see General Minutes.)

The relation of Wm. J. Perry was changed from *Supernumerary* to *Superannuated*.

Conference adjourned, with singing the doxology, and with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.



SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY MORNING, *March 2d*, 1876.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Marvin in the chair.

S. Kepler conducted the religious services.

The roll was called.

Conference determined to dispense with the further call of the roll during the present session. The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

A communication from Rev. T. O. Summers, D. D., at Nashville, was presented and read, expressing his strong affection for the Baltimore Conference, and also his prayer for her prosperity.

On motion resolved, That we highly appreciate the expressions of kindness and affection communicated in the letter just read from Rev. T. O. Summers, and we hereby cordially reciprocate the same.

On motion, Conference rescinded the rule requiring preachers to answer whether they have taken up collections for disciplinary purposes.

The Eighteenth Question of the General Minutes was resumed, viz: "Who are Superannuated?"

REV. THOMAS B. SARGENT, D. D.

A letter from Rev. Thomas B. Sargent, D. D., was presented and read, and on motion, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

"Resolved, That this Conference hereby expresses its grateful appreciation of the long and valued services rendered to the Church by our beloved brother, Rev. Thomas B. Sargent, D. D., and its sincere sympathy with him in his present affliction, and that we prayerfully commend him to the tender care of the Chief Shepherd."

The relation of E. L. Kregelo was changed from Supernumerary to Superannuated.

The Report of Visitors to the Lonoak Female College was presented and read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

Conference adjourned with singing the doxology, and with the benediction by Bishop Marvin, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, *March 3d*, 1876.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Marvin in the chair.

G. Stevenson conducted the religious services.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Eighteenth Question was resumed, viz: Who are Superannuated? Rev. Wm. H. Wheelwright.

REV. WM. H. WHEELWRIGHT.

A letter from Wm. H. Wheelwright was presented and read, expressing his strong affection for the members of this Conference.

By a rising vote, the Secretary was ordered to respond to the letter of Brother Wheelwright, and to communicate to him the expression of esteem and affection in which he is held by the brethren of this Conference, and also our prayer for God's blessing upon him in his afflictions.

The Fourth Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: Who are admitted into full connection? (For answer see General Minutes.)

The brethren whose names appear in answer to this question in the General Minutes, first passed in examination on the course of study, and were also thoroughly examined by the President, in accordance with the discipline, *before the Conference*.

WITHDRAWN.

It was ordered that the name of John G. Knight, of this class, should be entered as withdrawn from his relation to the Conference and the Church.

RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE.

Rev. J. A. Duncan, D. D., President of Randolph Macon College, presented and read the report of that Institution. The report was referred to the Committee on Education.

A collection in behalf of Randolph Macon College was taken up.

The Second Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: Who remain on trial? (See General Minutes.)

The Third Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Who are discontinued?*

The characters of Andrew T. M. Seat and R. G. Simmons were examined, and they were discontinued at their own request.

The Seventh Question was called, viz: Who are the deacons of one year? (For answer see General Minutes.)

Conference adjourned with singing the doxology, and with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

FOURTH DAY.

SATURDAY MORNING, *March 4th*, 1876.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Marvin in the chair.

C. L. Torreyson conducted the religious services.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The First Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: Who are admitted on trial? (For answer see General Minutes.)

The Twelfth Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: What travelling preachers are elected Elders? (See General Minutes.)

The Tenth Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: What local preachers are elected Deacons? (See General Minutes.)

COLLECTION FOR SUPERANNUATED FUND.

By request of the Joint Board of Finance, Rev. J. A. Duncan, D. D. addressed the Conference, urging a subscription and collection to make up the deficit in the amount required to meet the full claim of the Superannuated Fund. The amount of \$1,000.00 was obtained, which was sufficient to meet the deficiency.

WESLEYAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.

The report of W. A. Harris, Principal of the Wesleyan Female Institute, at Staunton, Virginia, was presented and read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

VALLEY FEMALE COLLEGE.

The report of the Visitors of the Valley Female College was presented and read, and on motion, it was referred to the Committee on Education.

A letter from Rev. W. G. E. Cunningham, D. D., Sunday School Secretary, was presented and read, and referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools.

Conference adjourned with singing the doxology, and with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet Monday morning next at 9 o'clock.

*FIFTH DAY.*MONDAY MORNING, *March 6th*, 1876.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Bishop Marvin in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by F. M. Mills.

The journal of Saturday was read and approved.

ORDINATIONS.

Bishop Marvin presented to the secretary the names of the Deacons and Elders ordained by him on yesterday in the Braddock Street Church. (See names under Questions IX, XI, XII.)

The First Question of the General Minutes was resumed, viz : Who are admitted on trial? (For answer see General Minutes.)

The report of the Visiting Committee of the Wesleyan Female Institute at Staunton, Va., was presented and referred to the Committee on Education.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The report of the Committee on Sunday Schools was presented, read and adopted. (See Report.)

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MISSION BOARD.

The Treasurer of the Baltimore Annual Conference Mission Board presented a report of collections and payments as made ; also the amount collected for Foreign Missions, which is to be forwarded to the Treasurer of Foreign Missions at Nashville.

On motion the report was received. (See Report.)

Conference adjourned with singing the doxology and with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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*SIXTH DAY.*TUESDAY MORNING, *March 7th*, 1876.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Marvin in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by John W. Tongue.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Question Sixth. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences.

The president announced that Ballard R. Wilburn had been transferred from the Holston to the Baltimore Conference, and that his name would appear under question seventh, viz: Who are the Deacons of one year.

The Fifth Question of the General Minutes was called, viz: *Who are Re-admitted?* (For answer see General Minutes.)

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The Joint Board of Finance presented a statement in detail, of amounts assessed, paid, and deficiencies for disciplinary collections, which was read and accepted. See *table* of disciplinary collections.

The report, in full, of the Joint Board of Finance was presented and read, and on motion the report was approved.

Amounts to claimants on Superannuated Fund were distributed. (See Report.)

PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The report of the Committee on Publishing Interests was presented, read and adopted. (See Report.)

Conference adjourned with singing the doxology, and with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

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SEVENTH DAY.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, *March 8th*, 1876.

Conference met at the appointed hour.

Bishop Marvin in the chair.

G. G. Brooke conducted the religious services.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

STATISTICS.

The secretary was ordered to prepare a tabular form of financial statistics for the future use of this Conference.

TEMPERANCE.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was presented, read and adopted. (See Report.)

PLAN OF FINANCE.

The plan of finance, found on 72d page of published minutes of last year, was re-adopted, and its publication ordered in the Minutes of this year. (See plan.)

BIBLE CAUSE.

The report on the Bible Cause was presented, read and adopted. (See Report.)

The Seventeenth Question was resumed, viz: *Who are Supernumerary?*

The relation of John Poisal was changed to Supernumerary.

S. S. AGENT, TRACT DISTRIBUTOR AND BOOKSELLER.

On motion the president was requested to appoint a preacher to operate as Sunday School Agent, Bookseller and Tract Distributor for the Conference.

SEAT OF THE NEXT CONFERENCE.

The Thirtieth Question was called, viz: Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Alexandria, Virginia, was nominated, and by a rising vote, was chosen unanimously as the place of the next session.

EDUCATION.

The report of the Committee on Education was presented and read.

RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE.

Rev. J. A. Duncan, D. D., presented the claims of Randolph Macon College.

VALLEY FEMALE COLLEGE.

Rev. B. F. Arbogast and Rev. S. Rodgers represented the Valley Female College.

WESLEYAN FEMALE INSTITUTE.

J. S. Martin and J. Landstreet addressed the Conference in favor of the Wesleyan Female Institute, Staunton, Va.

The following resolution was presented, read, and on motion adopted.

Resolved, that the Trustees of the Wesleyan Female Institute at Staunton, Va., be requested to appoint a committee

to investigate the financial condition, in full, of the said Institute, from the purchase of the new building to the present time, and report to the next session of the Conference.

The report on Education was then adopted.

Conference determined that when it adjourn, it adjourn to meet this evening at 7½ o'clock.

Conference adjourned with singing the doxology, and with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet this evening at 7½ o'clock.

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SEVENTH DAY—Evening Session.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, 7½ o'clock, *March 7th, 1876.*

Conference met pursuant to adjournment.

Rev. Sam'l Regester (by request of the president,) in the chair.

Religious services were conducted by J. S. Hutchinson.

The journal of this morning was read and approved.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

The report on General Statistics was presented by the secretary and accepted. (See Statistics.)

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT.

The Financial Exhibit from the several pastoral charges of the Conference was presented and accepted. (See Exhibit.)

FRATERNAL RELATIONS, M. P. CHURCH.

On motion resolved, That the secretary of this Conference, be, and he is hereby instructed to communicate to the Maryland Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, our fraternal greetings, and the assurance of our prayers for its continued and increased prosperity.

Bishop Marvin took the chair.

A collection was taken up for the Sexton.

APPROPRIATIONS OF BOARD OF MISSIONS.

The report of the Conference Board of Missions, making appropriations to the mission fields throughout the Conference, was presented and read. (See Report.)

THANKS.

On motion resolved, That this Conference hereby returns its thanks to the citizens of Winchester for the generous hospitality with which they have entertained its members during the present session; also to the authorities of the several churches who have tendered us the use of their houses of worship, and to the several rail road companies who have issued *return* tickets to those attending the Conference.

SYMPATHY FOR THOSE BEREAVED.

Resolutions were adopted expressive of the deep sympathy and condolence of this Conference with those bereaved by the recent sad disaster on the Valley Rail Road, at Narrow Passage, and the action of the Conference was ordered to be published in the Winchester Times, Winchester News, and the Alexandria Gazette.

MEMOIRS.

The Committee on Memoirs presented their report.

The memoir of Rev. Foushee C. Tebbs, was read.

Norval Wilson and Dabney Ball appropriately addressed the Conference in relation to brother Tebbs' life and glorious death. The memoir of brother Tebbs was accepted.

The memoir of Rev. James F. Liggett was read, and Jno. S. Martin referred to the ministerial character and labors, and triumphant death of brother Liggett. The memoir was accepted.

The Committee on Memoirs for next session was appointed, composed of one preacher from each Presiding Elder's district. (See Committees for next year.)

The Twelfth Question was resumed. Who are elected Elders. (See General Minutes.)

ORDINATIONS.

The Thirteenth Question. Who are ordained Elders, was resumed.

In the presence of the Conference, this evening, Bishop Marvin ordained to the office of Elder, John C. Sedwick, Asbury C. McNeer, Lafayette Fox and William L. Lynch.

JOINT BOARD OF FINANCE.

The president announced the Joint Board of Finance for next sessions, also the visitors to Literary Institutions for next year.

The Conference united in singing hymn 27,

"Our God ascends his lofty throne."

Wm. G. Eggleston led in prayer.

The appointments of the preachers for the next year were announced by the president, and the Conference adjourned with the benediction by the Bishop, to meet in Alexandria, Va., next session.

GENERAL MINUTES.

Ques. I. Who are admitted on trial?

Ans. Edward Goheen Vandiver, from Fredericksburg Station, Washington District.

L. Rosser Green, from Fredericksburg Station, Washington District.

W. Eggleston Woolf, from Fredericksburg Station, Washington District.

William Henry Sanders, from Fairfax Circuit, Washington District.

J. Latimer Kibler, from Charlestown Station, Winchester District.

Henry Ambrose Wilson, from Gainsboro Circuit, Winchester District.

George T. D. Collins, from Churchville Circuit, Rockingham District.

Daniel L. Bush, from Luray Circuit, Rockingham District.

George Sam'l Lightner, from Salem Station, Roanoke District.

John Henry Davidson, from Salem Station, Roanoke District.

Alfred O. Armstrong, from Monterey Circuit, Lexington District.

William A. Bryan, from Calvert Circuit, East Baltimore District.

Charles M. Haddaway, from Talbot Circuit, East Baltimore District.

Ques. II. Who remain on trial?

Ans. William B. Dorsey, J. Kyle Gilbert, James H. Boyd, James Watts Shoaff, A. Ezra Bradenbaugh, Henry T. Watts, Andrew M. Cackley, Charles M. Brown, *Robert A. McIlhenny, *Henry C. Calwell, William S. Coe, William H. Hederick, Luke R. Markwood.

*To be examined on 1st and 2d year's course next session.

Ques. III. Who are discontinued?

Ans. Andrew T. M. Seat, Robert G. Simmons.

Ques. IV. Who are admitted into full connection?

Ans. J. Wesley Steele, Robert M. Williams, John Robert Andrew, Charles E. Simmons, John D. C. Hanna, Oscar F. Burgess, J. Asbury Regester, Rufus M. Wheeler, Michael P. Scanlon, Alfred C. Gearhart, J. Frederick Baggs, J. Wesley Shreve, Thomas G. Nevitt.

Ques. V. Who are re-admitted?

Ans. John Little.

Ques. VI. Who are received by transfer from other Conferences?

Ans. Ballard R. Wilburn, S. S. Weatherly.

Ques. VII. Who are the Deacons of one year?

Ans. Lewis L. Lloyd, Vincent W. Wheeler, William H. Hiner, Washington Varner, *Gotleib Meyer, Alfred H. Way, John W. Canter, Oliver C. Beall, William E. Miller, Robert Ross, Ballard R. Wilburn.

Ques. VIII. What traveling preachers are elected Deacons?

Ans. J. Wesley Steele, Robert M. Williams, John Robert Andrew, Alfred C. Gearhart, Rufus M. Wheeler, Michael P. Scanlon, Charles E. Simmons, John D. C. Hanna, Oscar F. Burgess, John Frederick Baggs, J. Wesley Shreeve, Thomas G. Nevitt.

Ques. IX. What traveling preachers are ordained Deacons?

Ans. J. Wesley Steele, Robert M. Williams, John Robert Andrew, Alfred C. Gearhart, John Frederick Baggs, J. Wesley Shreve, J. Asbury Regester, Rufus M. Wheeler, Michael P. Scanlon, Charles E. Simmons, John D. C. Hanna, Oscar F. Burgess, Thomas G. Nevitt.

Ques. X. What local preachers are elected Deacons?

Ans. J. N. Ross, John D. Eddington, Edward G. Vandiver, Edward Morris Davis.

Ques. XI. What local preachers are ordained Deacons?

Ans. J. N. Ross, John D. Eddington, Edward G. Vandiver, Edward Morris Davis.

*Since transferred.

Ques. XII. What traveling preachers are elected Elders?

Ans. J. Timothy Smith, James T. Williams, John C. Sedwick, Lafayette Fox, Henry C. Pitzer, James F. Follin, Asbury C. McNeer, William L. Lynch.

Ques. XIII. What traveling preachers are ordained Elders?

Ans. J. Timothy Smith, James T. Williams, John C. Sedwick, Lafayette Fox, Henry C. Pitzer, James F. Follin, Asbury C. McNeer, William L. Lynch.

Ques. XIV. What local preachers are elected Elders?

Ans. None.

Ques. XV. What local preachers are ordained Elders?

Ans. None.

Ques. XVI. Who are located this year?

Ans. None.

Ques. Who are Supernumerary?

Ans. John Poisal, John W. Boteler, Joseph N. Spangler, George R. Jefferson, Eugene R. Smith, Francis M. Mills, J. Newman Hank, Edward F. Heterick, Asbury R. Martin, James C. Hummer, Milton A. Taylor.

Ques. XVIII. Who are Superannuated?

Ans. Norval Wilson, Samuel Kepler, John W. Tongue, Henry Hoffman, Thomas Hildebrand, Elias Welty, William Hedges, Thomas B. Sargent, Alfred A. Eskridge, William H. Wheelwright, William J. Perry, Jehu Hank, P. S. E. Sixeas, Wm. H. D. Harper, Ephriam L. Kregelo.

Ques. XIX. What preachers have died during the past year?

Ans. Foushee C. Tebbs, James F. Liggett. (See Memoirs.)

Ques. XX. Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?

Ans. Their names were called over one by one and their characters were examined and passed.

*John G. Knight *withdrawn*.

Ques. XXI. What is the number of local preachers and members in the several Circuits, Stations and Missions of the Conference?

Ans. (See Statistical Tables.)

Ques. XXII. How many infants have been baptised during the year?

Ans. 1431. (See Statistical Tables.)

Ques. XXIII. How many adults have been baptised during the year?

Ans. 1703. (See Statistical Tables.)

Ques. XXIV. What is the number of Sunday Schools?

Ans. 430. (See Statistics.)

Ques. XXV. What is the number of Sunday School Teachers?

*Ans. Superintendents, 479
Teachers, 3,323*

Total, 3,802 (See Statistical Tables.)

Ques. XXVI. What is the number of Sunday School Scholars?

Ans. 23,001. (See Statistical Tables.)

Ques. XXVII. What is the amount necessary for the Superannuated Preachers, and the Widows and Orphans of preachers?

Ans. \$5,100. (See report of Joint Board of Finance.)

Ques. XXVIII. What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied?

Ans. \$5,100. (See Report Joint Board of Finance.)

Ques. XXIX. What has been contributed for Missions?

*Ans. For Domestic Mission, represented by Baltimore Conference Board..... \$4,053 18
For Foreign Missions, Board at Nashville, 3,581 63
\$7,634 81*

Ques. XXX. Where shall the next session of the Conference be held?

Ans. At Alexandria, Virginia.

Ques. XXXI. Where are the preachers stationed this year?

Ans. See Appointments.

APPOINTMENTS.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT,

EZRA F. BUSEY, P. E.

Baltimore :

Central—John A. Kern.
 J. Newman Hank, Sup'y.
 St. Paul's—S. Keener Cox.
 J. N. Spangler, Sup'y.
 Emmanuel—John Hannon.
 J. C. Hummer, Sup'y.
 Frederick Ave.—Burton S. Highly.
 Calvary—Henry H. Kennedy.
 { Baltimore Cir.—John Landstreet.
 { Arlington—Jason P. Etchison.
 { Freedom—David Bush.
 { Linden Miss.—Chas. G. Linthicum.
 { Linganore—William R. Stringer.
 { Frederick City—George T. Tyler.
 { Rockville—John C. Dice.
 Charles M. Brown.
 A. R. Martin, Sup'y.
 { Darnestown Miss.—John P. Hall.
 Montgomery—William A. Wade.
 Lewis Lloyd.
 Beltsville—Presley B. Smith.
 Laurel—Isaac W. Canter.
 Wm. E. Miller.
 South River—William A. McDonald.
 { Bladensburg—John W. Ewan.
 { Emory—Ballard R. Wilburn.
 Upper Marlboro—To be supplied by
 W. R. McNeer.
 German Mission—To be supplied.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

DABNEY BALL, P. E.

Baltimore :

Trinity—W. W. Walker.
 Eugene R. Smith, Sup'y.
 East Baltimore Miss.—L. W. Haslup.
 N. Baltimore—Sam'l W. Haddaway.
 Taylor Circuit—Thomas W. Brown.

{ W. Harford—John W. Steele.
 { E. Harford Mis.—G. W. Lightner.
 { Talbot Miss.—Rumsey Smithson.
 George S. Lightner.
 { Hillsboro Miss.—Shannon F. Butt.
 Trappe—Beverly W. Bond.
 Kent Mission—Francis A. Mercer.
 Queen Anne's—W. W. Watts.
 Chas. E. Simmons.
 Severn—Robert M. Williams.
 West River—Edward H. Henry.
 Andrew M. Cackley.
 Calvert Miss.—Chas. L. Torreyson.
 Chas. M. Haddaway.
 Prince George's—Allen A. P. Neale.
 William A. Bryan.
 Charles—Hamilton W. Kinzer.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT,

NELSON HEAD, P. E.

Washington :

Mt. Vernon Place—A. W. Wilson.
 John W. Boteler, Sup'y.
 Alexandria—J. Hoffman Waugh.
 Francis M. Mills, Sup'y.
 Fairfax—Charles A. Joyce.
 J. Watts Shoaff.
 Falls Church—William G. Hammond.
 Farmwell—Oliver C. Beall.
 Leesburg—James S. Gardner.
 John Poisal, Sup'y.
 { Hamilton & Grove—
 L. H. Crenshaw.
 { Hillsboro—Lewis R. Jones.
 L. Rosser Green,
 Loudoun—Thomas E. Carson.
 Robert A. McIlhenny,
 { Piedmont—J. Hervey Dulany.
 { Warrenton—James Higgins.
 Linden—Lucius H. Baldwin.
 Fauquier Miss.—Hamilton A. Gayer.
 (One to be supplied.)

Prince William—Robert Smith.
 Stafford—Joseph H. Temple.
 Fredericksburg—Jas. E. Armstrong.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT,
 SAMUEL REGESTER, P. E.

Winchester Sta.—Samuel Rodgers.
 { Winchester Cir.—W. G. Eggleston.
 { Cedarville Miss.—Rufus H. Wilson.
 Frederick Miss.—George Stevenson.
 Edward F. Heterick, Sup'y.
 { Front Royal and Riverton—
 William C. Maloy.
 { Warren—J. Frederick Baggs.
 Berryville Mission—Adam B. Dolly.
 Brucetown—Sylvanus Townsend.
 Henry A. Wilson.
 Martinsburg—Louis C. Miller.
 Berkeley—John W. Wolff.
 { Charlestown—Sydnor G. Ferguson.
 { Jefferson—James L. Kibler.
 Shepherdstown—J. Lester Shipley.
 Gainsboro—James Beatty.
 Wardensville—Lewis G. Martin.
 Milton A. Taylor, Sup'y.
 Bethel Mission—Alfred H. Way.
 Morgan Miss.—W. Marshall Hiner.
 Shenandoah Mission—To be supplied
 by S. Brown.
 Lonoak Female College—
 John P. Hyde, Principal.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT,
 DAVID THOMAS, P. E.

Staunton—John S. Martin.
 Harrisonburg—S. Samuel Roszel.
 Shenandoah Iron Works—
 George B. Allen.
 Mt. Sidney Miss.—Lewis C. Grabill.
 Churchville—William H. Wilson.
 George D. T. Collins.
 George R. Jefferson, Sup'y.
 Bridgewater—Gilson Mauzey.
 Sangersville—Frazier Furr.
 Rockingham Mis.—John T. Maxwell.
 Wm. B. Dorsey.

E. Rockingham—Francis A. Strother.
 Port Republic Miss.—Andrew Roby.
 Furnace No. 2 Miss.—Lafayette Fox.
 New Market—Charles L. Dameron.
 Woodstock—George G. Brooke.
 Strasburg Miss.—Francis H. Richey.
 Luray—Mabury G. Balthis.
 Daniel L. Bush.
 Wesleyan Female Institute, at
 Staunton, Va., Wm. A. Harris, Pres.

ROANOKE DISTRICT,
 ROBERT R. S. HOUGH, P. E.

Salem—Jefferson W. Duffy.
 Roanoke Circuit—Joseph J. Engle.
 John H. Davidson.
 Blacksburg—Addison Weller.
 Christiansburg Miss.—Jas. H. March.
 Fincastle—J. M. Follansbee.
 A. Ezra Bradenbaugh.
 Lexington Circuit—William O. Ross.
 James River—William W. Hederick.
 New Castle Mission—Robert Ross.
 Catawba Mission—J. Timothy Smith.
 Sinking Creek—Francis H. Shipley.
 Lafayette Mission—Leonidas Butt.

LEWISBURG DISTRICT,
 WILLIAM G. COE, P. E.

Lewisburg—A. Poe Boude.
 Frankford—William L. Lynch.
 Henry S. Coe.
 W. Sulphur Miss.—John W. Canter.
 W. Sulphur St.—Vincent W. Wheeler.
 Blue Sulphur—James T. Williams.
 Henry C. Caldwell.
 Levelton—James R. VanHorne.
 Edray Mission—Rufus M. Wheeler.
 Greenbank—H. Monroe Strickler.
 Centreville—Joseph J. Crickenberger.
 Peterstown—William H. Sanders.
 Union—Henry C. Pitzer.
 Summer's Miss.—Alfred C. Gearhart.
 Hillsdale—Oscar F. Burgess.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT,

JOHN L. GILBERT, P. E.

Lexington Sta.—William K. Boyle.

Collierstown—Saul B. Dolly.

Fairfield—Thomas Briley.
J. Kyle Gilbert.

Augusta—Benjamin F. Ball.
Michael P. Scanlon.

W. Augusta Miss.—James S. Porter.

Upper Botetourt—James H. Boyd.

Covington—William T. Quinn.

Monterey—Adam Q. Flaherty.
Alfred O. Armstrong.

Crab Bottom—James F. Follin.

Circleville Mission—Henry S. Watts.

Highland—Henry D. Bishop.

Bath—Stewart S. Ryder.

Green Valley Mission—
Washington Varner.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT,

PETER H. WHISNER, P. E.

Moorefield—George H. Zimmerman.

Petersburg Mission—Aaron Boone.

Franklin Miss.—John C. Sedgwick.
William E. Woolf.

Keyser—Wesley Hammond.

South Branch—John S. Hutchinson.
Edward G. Vandiver.

Springfield—James H. Wolff.
John D. C. Hanna.

North River—John N. Gray.

Hardy Mission—Asbury C. McNeer.

Piedmont Station—William H. Seat.

Frostburg—Thomas G. Nevitt.

Listonville—Luke R. Markwood.

Cumberland—J. Asbury Regester.

Flint Stone—Silas R. Snapp.

Ramsburg—John R. Andrew.

Joshua M. Grandin, Sunday
School and Tract Agent.

Gotleib Meyer transferred to
Virginia Conference.

S. S. Weatherly transferred to
Holston Conference.

John Little transferred to
St. Louis Conference.

John W. Shreve transferred to
Columbia Conference.

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COURSE OF STUDY.

FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL.

The Bible, in reference to doctrines generally; Wesley's Sermons on justification by Faith, and on the Witness of the Spirit; Book of Discipline; the ordinary branches of an English education.

FIRST YEAR.

The Bible, in reference to its Historical and Biographical parts, and its Chronology; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapter I, Sections 1 and 2; Manual of Discipline, Chapters I and II; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. I; Ralston's Elements of Divinity; Watson's Institutes, Part IV; Preacher's Manual; Redford's History of the Organization of the M. E. Church, South; Written Sermon on Repentance.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

Watson's Biblical and Theological Dictionary; Theological Compend; Fletcher's Works; Watson's Life of Wesley.

SECOND YEAR.

The Bible, in reference to its Prophetical parts; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. II; Watson's Institutes, Part III; Smith's Elements of Divinity; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapters II, III and IV; Manual of Discipline, Chapters III and IV; Coppee's Rhetoric; Written Sermon on Justification by Faith.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

Newton or Keith on the Prophecies; Angus' Hand Book of the Bible; Claude's Essay on the Composition of a Sermon; Watson's Sermons; Bickersteth on the Spirit of Life; Whately's Rhetoric.

THIRD YEAR.

The Bible, in reference to the Life of Christ; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. III; Watson's Institutes, Part II; Coppee's Logic; River's Mental Philosophy; Edgar's Variations of Popery; Book of Discipline, with special reference to Chapter V to the end; Manual of Discipline, Chapters V, VI and VII; Written Sermon on the Witness of the Spirit.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

Young's Christ and History; Neander's Life of Christ; Hickok's Mental Science; Vinet's Pastoral Theology; Stevens' History of Methodism; Paine's Life of McKendree; D'Aubigne's History of the Reformation; Whateley's Logic.

FOURTH YEAR.

The Bible, in reference to The Acts and Epistles, their analysis and design; Wesley's Sermons, Vol. IV; Watson's Institutes, Part I; Powell on Apostolical Succession; Hickok's Moral Science; Mosheim's Church History; Summers on Baptism; Book of Discipline reviewed; Manual of Discipline, Chapters VIII and IX; Written Sermon on Regeneration.

BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

Butler's Analogy; Bingham's Antiquities; River's Moral Philosophy; Hopkin's Homiletics; Wall on Infant Baptism; Litton's Church of Christ; Neander's Church History; Liddon on the Divinity of our Lord; Conybeare and Howson's Life and Epistles of St. Paul.

COMMENTARIES.

Clarke's; Watson's Exposition; Wesley's Notes; Summers on the Gospels; Stier's Words of the Lord Jesus; Lange on the New Testament; Olshausen on the New Testament; Alford on the New Testament; Bloomfield on the New Testament; Macknight on the Epistles; Henry's Exposition; Whitby's Commentary.

REPORT
OF THE
PRESIDENT OF RANDOLPH MACON COLLEGE.

MARCH 1st, 1876.

Mr. President and Brethren of the Baltimore Conference:

I have the gratification of reporting many encouraging facts concerning the present condition of Randolph Macon. The growing appreciation of the College among our own people; the name the institution has won by its work; the high rank it has attained in the estimate of the best educated classes; the extent of its patronage; the diligence and good conduct of the students, and the large number of them who are earnest Christians; the love which the young men show they have for the College, and the large number who seem desirous to pursue a course of study as extensive as their circumstances will allow; these are most encouraging facts. They show how limited means diligently applied may, through God's blessing, accomplish much good.

We have one hundred and sixty-seven students; forty-one from the bounds of the Baltimore Conference, forty-two preparing for the ministry; of these, eighteen expect to enter the Baltimore Conference, and twenty-six are sons of ministers.

These figures show we are doing most valuable work for the Church.

Two things tend to give the College a high place in public appreciation; the high standard we require, and the thoroughness of our English course.

THE STUDY OF ENGLISH.

I beg special attention to the following remarks on the study of English, which will be found in the catalogue. "The Board of Trustees, in adding this new school to the established schools of the College, has endeavored to remedy a defect that has been long felt and bitterly regretted by cultivated men, as the

chief fault in collegiate instruction; for the study of English in the College may, as our experience has shown, be regarded as useful both as means and as end. As the means of securing an easier and sounder progress in other studies, and especially in the study of other languages, the scientific study of the English, by preparing the mind for the reception of other sciences, by sharpening the intelligence and by stimulating the powers of thought and of expression, has shown itself to be of the highest utility. But, beyond all that, the Trustees and the faculty are profoundly convinced that the opportunity of careful and exact study of our own language, as an end in itself, is the greatest benefit that our College can bestow upon her sons. Thus, in doing this, they are helping to solve the much mooted question of practical education, and are removing from the collegiate system the reproach that both in England and America, has of late brought upon the Colleges well merited censure. Young men born into the possession of a language that comes down to them fraught with the wealth of a splendid history, and into the enjoyment of a literature that throws open to them the highest models of moral and intellectual greatness, ought not for lack of teaching, to be suffered to leave College, knowing many other things, indeed, but unskilled in the use of their mother tongue and with far less knowledge of their own rich heritage than of the treasures of foreign lands. It ought no longer to be seen that young men at the end of their studies, should often be unable to write a letter decently, or to express with ease or even with correctness the knowledge they have won. The study of the English should, on the contrary, wherever English is spoken, enter as the leading element into every system of liberal education, and keep pace in its advances with the age and progress of the student. For in practical value, it of course surpasses, and in scientific value, as part and means of mental discipline, it at least equals the study of any foreign tongue. The College appeals, therefore, with hope and confidence to its friends and to the public to sustain it in this effort to place side by side with the Latin and the Greek, with the French and the German, the philological and literary study of the English. The studies in the school of English are arranged in five courses, each of one year." (Catalogue, p. 20.)

THE ENTIRE COURSE THOROUGH.

The entire college curriculum is such as to give your institution rank with those best Colleges that prefer a high standard and thorough instruction, to the reputation of issuing annually a multitude of diplomas. The College does not erect this standard. The age in which we live fixes it. The College only recognizes and provides for it.

STUDENTS OF DIVINITY.

A large number of young men who intend to devote their lives to the work of the ministry, come to us for instruction. They are required to bring the recommendation of the Quarterly Conference of the pastoral charge to which they belong, and to execute their bonds for the payment of their tuition fees within two years after leaving College, if they fail to devote themselves to the sacred work for which they come to us to prepare. Every year some of these recruit the ranks of the itinerancy, and it is gratifying to observe how large a portion of these young men, in both the patronizing Conferences, are doing most excellent service in the cause of our Divine Master.

THE RESOURCES OF THE COLLEGE.

Because of the great financial depression throughout the country, we have not yet been able to carry out the plans which we brought before you, and which you approved one year ago. But we do not despair. We trust the future will be brighter. The building and endowment fund is slowly yet steadily increasing. Rev. Thos. A. Ware, the present agent of the College, is a faithful, earnest and self-sacrificing christian minister of such ability and zeal, that we hope much from his labors. He is diligently devoting himself to this work. The building committee have already in hand a sufficient amount to justify them in commencing one of the new lecture halls in the Spring. Now is the time for all friends of the Institution to begin earnestly to put their helping hands to this good work.

LACK OF MONEY.

Like every other enterprise of the church, the College feels the depressing effect of the financial state of the country.

This lack of money to carry forward church work, hinders progress, multiplies cares, afflicts and depresses ministers, and increases the burdens of those faithful people of God who have to supply the lack of service of the less generous, and who will wear crowns that meaner natures never win. But this lack of money is not a strange fact in church history. Perhaps we allow it to discourage us too much. Church work always demands more money than it can obtain, simply because it is always pushed forward by earnest people who are in advance of the multitude in benevolence. From the Apostolic age until this day, there have been much apathy, want of zeal, unbelief, dullness of understanding and illiberality, hindering progress and making the church work move too slowly for the warmer and more energetic spirits who are fired with the purpose of

seeking first, and more than every thing else, the Kingdom of God and his righteousness. The Apostolic testimony is, "even unto this present hour, we both hunger and thirst, and are naked and buffeted, and have no certain dwelling place, and labour working with our hands." Ministers may always expect to suffer the afflictions which pertain to religious leadership. But these trials are greatly modified wherever we can educate the people to appreciate their obligations to care for the cause and Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. What a shame it is that the church of this day should allow a good useful minister of Christ to be compelled to choose between the suspension of his ministerial work, or going hopelessly in debt! How deplorable, that young men who offer themselves to the church for the work of the ministry, should have their hopeful zeal checked by tardy or by meagre encouragement! And how deeply to be regretted it is, that even those who are able and willing to pay for their education, and who prefer the church school to any other, should find the church wanting in sufficient liberality to furnish them with College facilities! To remedy these things which we deplore, what shall be done?

First of all, the faithful, though burdened, must not flinch under the trial, nor despond. Their reward is sure, and it shall be great. Let them stand up to their duty as soldiers that know how to endure hardness. All honor to such sons and daughters of the Almighty. They save everything that is saved. They are the salt of the earth. They are the light of the world. They are the strength and glory of the church.

But let us strive to increase the number of these faithful ones. Let us teach our churches how to bring forth the fruits of righteousness, showing them how that so laboring they ought to support the weak and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus how he said it is more blessed to give than to receive.

THE GREAT WORK BEFORE US.

The great work before us is worthy of patient continuance in well-doing, and we shall reap if we faint not.

To preserve the learning of ages; to banish idolatry and superstition, and diffuse light among all nations; to correct and convert the misapplied energies of men and concentrate them upon work that will save humanity from vice and shame; to advance science with beautiful humility and intelligent boldness; to give each new generation its needful discipline and instruction; to be always in the front rank of civilization leading every age; this is the glorious duty of the Christian Church.

The Divine Master once rebuked the mistaken and pretentious leaders among the Jews, by saying: "Ye can discern the

face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it ye cannot discern this time? The day of the world's redemption—the day to which prophetic stars had for ages pointed, had come; yet neither king, nor priest, nor philosopher could recognize its light. A few truth-seekers from a far country had come to bring gifts to Bethlehem's prince, and a few prayerful shepherds heard the world's morning song of hope from the night-sky. It is always so. A few must lead the multitude, and be the apostles of every new era, and make sacrifices by faith, and begin good works for others to finish.

Let us do our duty; do the best we can; make our church a power and a praise in the land. The young men by thousands look to us; let us receive them, educate them, baptize them at the fountains of christian learning, and send them out full armed to conquer the world for Christ!

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. A. DUNCAN,

Pres. R. M. College.

Reports from Committees.

MEMOIRS.

REV. FOUSHEE C. TEBBS.

November 18th 1875, our brother Foushee C. Tebbs finished his work and entered into rest. Of his blessedness nothing adequate can be said. Of his life on earth only an imperfect sketch can be given.

Bro. Tebbs was born in Fauquier Co., Va., Oct. 11th, 1820. His ancestral line was honorable, but the irregularities of his early life threatened its fair fame. He fell into evil associations, contracted the vices of his companions, and while yet a boy, was chiefly noted for a bad pre-eminence in sin. But it pleased God to reveal his Son in him. When about 16 years old, he heard a sermon at Upperville, from Rev. Jno. Bear. The text fell upon the ear of young Tebbs—more, it was an arrow piercing his heart. The words “Sin no more” sounded as a voice from heaven. They were not inaudible when he left the house, but in every place, “Sin no more,”! “Sin no more,”!! “Sin no more,”!!! marred every carnal pleasure. The impression of this sermon was deepened under the ministry of Rev. Jno. A. Collins. He purchased a Bible, saying, this “shall be the guide of my life, and if there is mercy for such a sinner as I, I’ll seek till I obtain—if there is such a thing as religion, I’ll never rest until I feel its power in my heart.” He attended class, asked prayer of all who knew the way of life, sought an interview with his godly teacher, Mr. Norris, exclaiming as they met, “I’ve no God,”! “Pray for me.” Thus he walked in darkness for three long months, till at midnight of the Sabbath, having spent hours in wrestling with God, the answer came, and says the one who knew him best, “I’ve often heard him say his soul was so filled with joy unutterable, that he could only exclaim Glory to God”! The voice of his shouting aroused the inmates of the house, and the walls of the old mansion at Ben Lomond echoed with praise. His conversion was so clear, that it left no room for doubt, and in all his subsequent life, it was a luminous spot which no temptation could obscure.

Bro. T. was received into the church by Rev. N. J. B. Morgan. The Spring following, he was licensed to exhort. One year later he was licensed to preach, and commenced his ministry on Loudoun Circuit, where also it was ended, one week be-

fore he died, in a sermon from the words, "why stand ye here all the day idle." This last sermon contained a full summary of the Gospel Message. The Master calls—how He calls—the work to be done—when He calls—time is so short—the eleventh hour is at hand, and death comes on apace—be up and doing, there is no time for idling. In the elaboration of these points, the substance of his many years' preaching was condensed, and adds Rev. T. E. Carson, from whom these words are taken, "nor was that last sermon in vain." Bro. Tebbs wrought in the fields herein named, Westmoreland Circuit, 1 year, Moorefield Circuit, 1 year, Winchester Circuit, 1 year, Bath Circuit, 2 years, Berkeley Circuit, 2 years, Loudoun Mission, 3 years, Fincastle Circuit, 1 year, Rockbridge Circuit, 2 years, Churchville Circuit, 2 years, Lexington Station, 18 months, when he entered the army as Chaplin. His health failing, he rested for the brief space of 2 months, when he returned to Rockbridge Circuit. The Spring following, he was stationed at Christiansburg, where he remained 2 years, then in order, Fredericksburg, 2 years, Linden Circuit, 1 year, Montgomery Circuit 1 year, Bethel Circuit, 1 year, South Branch Circuit, 1 year, Berryville Circuit, 2 years, Jefferson Circuit, 1 year, and last of all, East Harford Circuit.

Bro. Tebbs was of vigorous mind—a man who delighted more in well-ascertained truth than in profitless speculation. His preaching was clear, compact, and as to matter embodied the great facts of the gospel. Earnest and incisive, those who heard him were convinced that at least he was sincere. His ministry was fruitful, and through it many sinners were turned unto righteousness. Those who knew Bro. Tebbs will recall his delicate sense of honor, and the thorough truthfulness of his nature. Such candor and straightforwardness are possessed by few. He knew nothing of the thrift which follows fawning, and, now that he is gone, if any remain who once felt themselves aggrieved or rebuked by his honest speech, they will honor the man who would not call evil good or good evil.

"The last two months of his life," writes one who shared his joys and labors through eight and twenty years, "he was evidently being prepared for what awaited him—his religious enjoyment so much greater—seemed only to desire to live that he might work for Jesus—never happier than when he felt he could instrumentally promote the cause of God." The conclusion of the story is soon told. After a ride of 30 miles he entered his chamber ill of typhoid pneumonia. The mind began to wander—his wife reaches his bed-side—she is in an agony of prayer that God may so far restore him that he may again know her, speak once more the words of love, and testify of his hope in Christ. God hears prayer—he rejoices in God—darkness for a season supervenes—the darkness flees away—he praises God—says, "tell the preachers of the old Baltimore

Conference how I love them, that I love them all—sings "Precious Name"—says "there is a mansion for me, one for me," and as the last word was uttered, he looked upward with a countenance of rapture, and it seemed as though the parting heavens had revealed the glories of the upper world. These were his last words on earth; and I felt, says one who was at his bed-side—I felt in that moment, he had realized his wish expressed in a late sermon upon the death of Stephen, in which he said, I care not how I fall, nor where I fall, nor when I fall, if I may, like Stephen, have so much of the Holy Ghost in me, that looking up into heaven, I may say, I see Jesus. Admitted a probationer in the Baltimore Annual Conference, March, 1845, our beloved brother served his generation according to the will of God for 30 years, and then fell asleep. His body lies in the Cemetery at Middleburg—his spirit is with the just.

"The Lamb is their light and their Son,
And lo! by reflection they shine;
With Jesus ineffably one,
And bright in effulgence Divine."

NOTE. Brother Tebbs died at the residence of Brother Young, near Pools-ville, Md. By this excellent family all was done for him that christian sympathy and kindness could suggest.

REV. JAMES F. LIGGETT.

James F. Liggett was born in Greenbrier County, Virginia, April 13th 1831. At the age of seventeen years, he was converted to God, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Lewisburg.

Being called of God to preach the gospel, he immediately began the work of preparation, and was admitted into the Baltimore Conference on trial, in March, 1855, and appointed to Lexington Circuit. He was appointed in 1856, to Fincastle Circuit; in 1857, to Salem Circuit; and in 1858-9, to Union, Monroe County.

He was married April 22d, 1858, to Miss Elizabeth, daughter of John and Nancy Armentrout, of Rockbridge County, Virginia.

He was appointed to Levelton, in 1860-1-2-3; to Salem, in 1864-5; to Blacksburg, in 1866-7; to East Rockingham, in 1868-9-70-71; to Shenandoah Iron Works, in 1872-3-4; and in 1875, to Churchville, where he closed his ministry and his life.

Brother Liggett was a true man, faithful in all the relations of life. True to himself, true to his family, true to the church, faithful to his business engagements, faithful to his work, faithful to the Master. Men of less courage or less devotion would have quit the field seven years before he did. His friends, in the ministry and out of it, advised him, on account of his

health, to retire from the effective ranks before he went to East Rockingham; but like our Great Pattern, he felt that he "must work while it was called day." He preferred to be carried home on a burnished shield.

He loved to sing :

"Happy, if with my latest breath,
I may but gasp his name ;
Preach him to all, and cry in death,
Behold, behold the Lamb."

He was a good theologian, an earnest preacher, a successful revivalist, a faithful pastor, and of him it might be appropriately said, "the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up."

The spirit of the man is more distinctly set forth in a letter written to his Presiding Elder during the last Conference session, than it could be by any words of ours, and as it is his last report to this Conference, we give the letter entire :

SHENANDOAH IRON WORKS, }
March 5th, 1875. }

DEAR BROTHER MARTIN :

I have given up all hope of getting to Conference. The weather has continued so unfavorable, and the increasing difficulty of travel on the roads, puts it almost beyond the possibility of getting there. I wish I could be there, to relieve, if possible, your mind of any anxiety or difficulty in my case. Remember, however, my aspirations are to some humble home and people, where I may best serve the interests of Christ's Kingdom. I am willing still to endure privations to the full extent of my physical strength. *Drop me down at any point where I can work best*—a small circuit or station—and I will adjust myself to the place with all my powers.

I pray God you may have a harmonious session, and that the Great Head of the Church will guide you in all things

Bro. Milnes will be there with my reports.

Yours, in Christ,

J. F. LIGGETT.

After Conference, he entered promptly and hopefully upon his work, but in a few weeks, he departed to be with Him who said, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

He died on the day of 1875, in great peace and triumph, a fitting close to a bright and joyous christian life.

BIBLE CAUSE.

The Committee on the Bible Cause beg leave to report, as follows :

A systematic and thorough circulation of the Sacred Scriptures is a work, the importance of which cannot be over-valued, and the good results of which cannot be fully estimated. Next to the preaching of the word, in value, may be regarded the distribution of the written word amongst families and individuals of all classes. To place a copy of the Holy Bible in the hands of every individual in the land, is indeed a delightful conception, and it would seem, that through the agency of the State and County Bible Societies, and the instrumentality of the Christian Church, this end could be easily accomplished. At a time like the present, when light and immoral literature is extensively circulated, by zealous agents and news-mongers, through the land, and along all the great thoroughfares of travel, when erroneous and strange doctrines are boldly advocated, when the most insidious forms of skepticism are wide spread, and when science, falsely so called, is seeking to insinuate doubts in regard to the most essential principles of christian truth, it well becomes the church of God to counteract all such evils as far as possible, not only by sound and evangelical preaching and pure christian example, but also by a vigorous dissemination of the Holy Bible.

The question is, have we as a Conference of christian ministers done our whole duty in this direction? Last year the amount reported as raised for the circulation of the Bible, was \$604.35. This year the amount reported is \$245.13. An additional amount however, of \$42.98, is reported by the agent of the Virginia Bible Society, as having been raised by him within the bounds of the Baltimore Conference. This comparative statement shows that \$316.24 less was raised this year than was raised last year, for this most worthy object, and this certainly is an exceedingly small amount for a body as large as ours to collect, and ought to admonish us to do better.

We therefore offer for re-adoption, the following resolutions passed by the last Conference, (viz :)

Resolved 1st. That it be recommended to the pastors of the different charges to preach on the subject of the study and circulation of the word of God, and to take up collections to aid the Bible Society in this special work.

Resolved 2d. That a cordial welcome, and hearty co-operation be given to the agents of the Bible Society, whenever they may visit our charges, and that all amounts of money, whether

collected by the pastors themselves, or the agents, be carefully noted, and duly reported at Conference, so that the Church may have full credit for all that may be done in this department of christian work.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC W. CANTER,

Chairman.

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SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The Committee beg leave to report :

There are many encouraging facts in connection with the Sabbath School work—the numerical increase, the large number of conversions in the Sabbath Schools, the rapid dissemination of an earnest spirit in connection with the moral and spiritual welfare of the children brought under our Church care, are encouraging facts, and demand our profound gratitude.

The Church in all parts of the country seems more faithfully than ever in the past, to be moving in obedience to the command of Christ: "Feed my Lambs."

No branch of our Church work has drawn more rapidly to its aid, the attention and thought of the best minds and earnest spirits of the Church, than that of the Sabbath School.

The Sabbath School, while not designed to supplant home instructions, has under its control to a degree involving great responsibility, the development of true religious thought in the minds of those committed to its care.

The Sabbath School is now regarded a co-ordinate branch of the Church, upon the success of which depend the advancement of our Church in numbers, filling up and increasing our ranks, with minds stored with religious truth and purified by grace.

We have carefully examined the Sunday School Magazine, Lesson Papers, Sunday School Visitor and Little People, sent us by the agent at Nashville, and from that examination, and from our former knowledge of them, we regard them as publications of superior merit and better adapted to the wants of the children of our Church than any other publication within our reach.

We report the following resolutions for adoption by the Conference :

1st. That our own Sabbath School Literature be used in preference to all other publications.

2d. That we recommend to all the preachers of this Conference, the introduction of our series of Catechisms into all our Sunday Schools.

3d. That we suggest to our preachers that they visit the Sabbath Schools, preach to them and impress upon the minds of parents and the officers of the schools, the importance of leading the children to an early consecration to God.

4th. That we condemn the use of light and trashy literature, much of which is to be found in many of our Sabbath School Libraries.

5th. That our preachers and people be requested to secure and carefully read Dr. Regester's book, "Children and the Church," which is a most valuable contribution to our Church Literature.

6th. That special effort be made to secure religious teachers in our Sabbath Schools; and that we may supply our schools with competent christian instructors, we recommend that bible classes and teachers' meetings be organized under the direction of the pastors and superintendents.

7th. We do most earnestly urge upon superintendents the employment of all proper means to secure a larger attendance of our Sabbath School children upon the public ministration of the word.

8th. That our ministers and superintendents of Sabbath Schools endeavor to cultivate a spirit of liberality among the young by exhortation, and the establishment of a system of weekly contributions for the benefit of some worthy object of our Church.

9th. That our preachers be requested to preach a sermon occasionally on the relation of children to the Church, and the duty of church members and parents in attending the Sabbath School.

10th. That our Sabbath School workers, as far as practicable, attend the Sabbath School Convention of this Conference, to be held at Lewisburg the ensuing Summer.

We would also state that we received from Dr. Redford, a communication recommending the appointment of a Sabbath School agent. In reference to this matter we have taken no action, but leave the matter in the hands of the Conference.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEO. G. BROOKE, *Chairman.*

S. G. FERGUSON, *Secretary.*

E D U C A T I O N .

It is no longer an open question whether or not the church of God shall undertake and carry on the work of education.

The word of God fixes the obligation to inform the understanding, instruct the conscience, and bring every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ. The obligation has, in some measure, been confessed, and the matter of christian education has now a large place in the deliberations of religious bodies. It is felt that it would be a dishonor to the Church to fall below the standards of culture known to secular systems, and that the formal defense of the christian faith requires, in addition to the power of the preacher, the faithful use of the best and most thoroughly trained intellectual agencies. So much admitted, it is simply a question of sufficient provision. How much ought we to do? How much are we doing? We cannot here make reply. Enough to say, that an investigation into the educational demands of our own Conference, the facilities furnished, and the resources at command will show that we are certainly not doing more than we ought, that we cannot in conscience do less, and that a reasonable response from the many who hold in hand the wealth with which God has entrusted them for carrying on His work, would amply sustain our institutions of learning, and insure rapid progress and large gains to the Church in the fields of intellectual and religious endeavor. The following brief statements show the provision made for the benefit of our young of both sexes, and the requisites for their successful operation :

R A N D O L P H M A C O N C O L L E G E .

The President's report, whose publication in the Annual Register we recommend, sets forth the condition of the College so fully that it is only needful to add the following resolutions, viz :

Resolved, 1st. That we rejoice in the gratifying prosperity of Randolph Macon College, notwithstanding the great financial pressure which has somewhat hindered the execution of the plans projected for its better endowment.

2d. Resolved, That the usual assessment of \$2,000, as a fund for the education of the beneficiaries at the College, be made by the Board of Finance for the ensuing year.

3d. Resolved, That as a Conference, we will cordially and earnestly co-operate with the Trustees and Agent of the College in their effort to promote the welfare of the College.

WESLEYAN FEMALE INSTITUTE,
AT STAUNTON, VA.

This Institution, while not enjoying quite as large a patronage as for some years past, yet reports 95 boarding pupils; and in view of the high grade attained by this school under Dr. Harris, we most cordially renew our recommendation of it to the patronage of our people. Its facilities, both as to position, accommodations, and character of its faculty, places it in the front rank of our Educational Institutions.

Inasmuch as a financial exhibit of the Institution has been referred to our Committee, we feel authorized to express the opinion, that, under the present arrangement, the Board of Trustees are receiving so small an amount annually, as seriously to threaten financial embarrassment to the Institution in the near future, and we therefore urge that the Board of Trustees take measures to increase said income so as to reduce, as speedily as possible, the present enormous debt of over \$30,000.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Wesleyan Female Institute, at Staunton, Va., be and they hereby are requested to appoint a Committee to investigate the financial condition, *in full*, of the said Institute, *from the purchase of the new building to the present time*, and report to the next session of the Conference.

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VALLEY FEMALE COLLEGE.

The Committee is gratified to report still an encouraging advance in the prosperity of this Institution under the Presidency of Rev. B. Arbogast, A. M.

It has improved in its patronage.

From being third in numbers among the Female Colleges of Winchester in its first year, it is now, in its third year, the first. Valuable improvements have been made in the buildings and grounds. We were pleasantly surprised at the spaciousness and beauty of the College building. The remarkable exemption of the pupils from disease from the foundation of the Institution is a noteworthy fact. We are very glad also to announce the religious prosperity of the school; as formerly, many of its pupils have been converted the present year. The College is evidently growing, as it richly deserves, in public favor. We commend it cordially to your fostering care, and look confidently for its increasing prosperity.

THE LONOAK FEMALE COLLEGE,

At Martinsburg, West Virginia, under the management of Rev. Jno. P. Hyde, A. M., is reported to us as in a prosperous condition, and the Visiting Committee appointed by our last Conference have presented us a very favorable account of its condition and prospects, and we hereby heartily recommend it to the patronage of our people in its vicinity.

In conclusion, we offer the following resolutions :

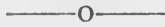
Resolved, 1st. That we recommend the establishment, wherever practicable in our charges, of schools for both sexes in the interest and under the patronage of our own Church, and urge our people to give the preference to such schools, and encourage them by sending to them their children.

Resolved, 2d. That the Bishop be requested to appoint a Visiting Committee to each of the above named Institutions.

Resolved, 3d. That said Committees be required to present a written report of their visits not later than the second day of the Conference, to be laid before the Committee on Education.

A. W. WILSON, *Chairman.*

WM. K. BOYLE, *Secretary.*



PUBLISHING INTERESTS.

The Committee on Publishing Interests, to whom was referred the communication of Dr. A. H. Redford, Agent of the Publishing House at Nashville, respectfully report :

That they are gratified to learn from the exhibit made by the agent, that the establishment is in so healthful a financial condition, notwithstanding the depression in the monetary interests of the country, for several years past, the assets showing an excess over liabilities of \$306,701.55. That, in view of the peculiar difficulties besetting this enterprise during and since the war, and especially the destruction of the house, a few years since, with its machinery and material, by fire, it is an occasion for grateful recognition that it has reached its present state of at least comparative prosperity, and survived a period of commercial disaster during which so many older and seemingly more stable establishments have been wrecked.

We would recommend to the Conference the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, 1st. That we recognize the very important relation which the Publishing House at Nashville sustains to the general interests of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and heartily commend it to the confidence and support of our people.

Resolved, 2d. That regarding the agency of the press, second only in its power for good to that of the pulpit, we urge our preachers and people to patronize our own publications, and aid in giving them as extensive a circulation as possible, by this means diffusing more widely our own doctrines and usages as a Church, and thus seeking to counteract as far as we may be able, that pernicious literature so widely afloat in our land, and exerting so baneful an influence upon both the faith and morals of our population.

Resolved, 3d. That we recommend the Nashville Christian Advocate, edited by Rev. Dr. Summers, as the accredited organ of the Church at large, and an important medium of information on all matters affecting its general welfare and prosperity.

Your committee would furthermore recommend most heartily to the patronage of our people the Southern Quarterly Review, edited by Rev. Dr. Bledsoe, and Mrs. Bledsoe Herrick, as a magazine conducted with rare ability, and occupying a most important place in our Church Literature.

SAM'L K. COX, *Chairman.*

BENJ. F. BALL, *Secretary.*

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CONFERENCE PAPER.

At a called meeting of the Committee on Conference Paper, held in Mt. Vernon Place Church, Washington, D. C., October 11th, 1875, there were present, W. P. Conway, Jesse B. Wilson, and Young O. Wilson, laymen, and D. Ball, A. W. Wilson, and R. R. S. Hough, ministers.

W. P. Conway was elected chairman, and R. R. S. Hough, secretary.

After a careful examination of the whole subject, the following preamble and resolution were unanimously adopted :

Whereas, at the last annual session of the Baltimore Conference, held at Mt. Vernon Place Church, Washington, D. C., a committee of nine was appointed "to inquire into the practicability of publishing a weekly religious paper in the City of Baltimore, as the organ of the Conference," and *whereas* said com-

mittee has fully investigated the whole matter submitted for its consideration. Therefore,

Resolved, That we find it impracticable to publish said paper at this time.

W. P. CONWAY, *Chairman*.

R. R. S. HOUGH, *Secretary*.



TEMPERANCE.

The Committee on Temperance beg leave to report :

The evils arising from the drinking of intoxicating liquors are so wide-spread and destructive, that it needs no argument to show their existence. There is scarcely a hamlet, or indeed a family that sooner or later does not grievously suffer from their ravages. Instances where intemperance has utterly crushed the dearest hopes of life, and brought poverty, neglect, shame, disease and death to homes once peaceful and happy, are too sadly familiar to us all. Misery and crime are its fruits in this life. More terrible still, eternal ruin is its ordinary result in the next. "No drunkard shall inherit the Kingdom of God." Every year thousands of souls become its victims and are forever lost in hell. On so pernicious a practice the condemnation of the Church of God ought to be stamped deeply and plainly. She, who also claims, and justly, to be the best guardian of temperance, should give forth no uncertain sound as to this matter, but unsparingly rebuke all who, whether by the distillation, sale or actual unnecessary use of ardent spirits, promote this fearful vice among the people. There is reason to believe that some have wrongly imagined from the failure of the requisite majority of the Annual Conferences to ratify the new rule on this subject, proposed by our last General Conference, that we have no law prohibiting these practices. Care should therefore be everywhere taken to clearly set forth, and strongly maintain the contrary position as the one truly held by our Church; otherwise we shall inevitably be discredited in the eyes of the world and lose much of our power for good. Discipline also, whenever needed, should be rigidly enforced without fear or favor. "Holiness to the Lord" should be written over the door of the Church, in this as in other things, and should be the object of our efforts at all risks. If not, the spreading ulcer will soon eat out the life of the Church.

We recommend the following Resolutions :

1st. That our people be reminded that the manufacture and the sale, as well as the drinking of ardent spirits as a beverage, are positively prohibited by the laws of our Church.

2d. That we earnestly enjoin upon our preachers and people, by all proper means, to discourage the making, vending, or unnecessary drinking of spirituous liquors; and especially in their own practice carefully to observe the requirements of our Church to abstain from them all.

3d. That we urge all our preachers in charge to a strict enforcement of our laws in this regard against all among us guilty either of beginning or continuing such practices; also to preach at least once during the year in all their congregations upon this subject.

4th. That the Conference elect seven delegates, three clerical and four lay, to attend the "International Temperance Conference," called to meet in Philadelphia, June 13th, 1876; also that the secretary of the Conference be requested to send the names of such delegates to J. N. Stearns, Esq., No. 58 Read Street, New York.

W. A. WADE, *Chairman.*

B. W. BOND, *Secretary.*

Report of the Joint Board of Finance,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1876.

Amount received from Circuits and Stations for Superannuated Fund	\$4,613 78
For Bishops' Fund.....	1,329 37
For Educational Fund.....	1,542 37
For Bible cause.....	245 13
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Total from Circuits and Stations.....	\$7,730 65
Cash received from collections taken at Conference.....	334 38
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Total cash received.....	\$8,065 03
Amount of subscription taken at Conference.....	825 00
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Total of cash and subscription.....	\$8,890 03
Amount paid to Superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of deceased preachers.....	\$5,100 00
To the Bishops.....	1,350 00
Traveling expenses of Bishop Marvin.....	70 00
To Randolph Macon College.....	2,000 00
To the Bible Society.....	245 13
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Total amount paid.	\$8,765 13
Balance on hand.....	\$124 90

Amount divided to Superannuated preachers and to widows and orphans of deceased preachers, as follows :

Norval Wilson.....	\$450 00
Mrs. D. Trout.....	200 00
Mrs. Veitch.....	200 00
Mrs. Joseph Aikin.....	50 00
Mrs. John Trone.....	100 00
James Aikin's child.....	50 00
Mrs. Thos. H. Busey.....	50 00
P. S. E. Sixeas.....	250 00
Mrs. D. Shoaff.....	200 00
J. W. Tongue.....	350 00
Mrs. S. Smith.....	25 00
T. B. Sargent.....	300 00
Mrs. Cross and child.....	200 00
Miss E. Cross.....	25 00
J. P. Etchison.....	350 00
W. H. Wheelwright.....	400 00
Thos. Briley.....	250 00
Mrs. J. W. Bull.....	50 00
Henry Hoffman.....	100 00
Sam'l Kepler.....	100 00
Richard Shreve's children.....	150 00
Mrs. W. S. Baird.....	400 00
Wm. Hedges.....	100 00
A. A. Eskridge.....	350 00
W. H. D. Harper.....	100 00
Mrs. L. D. Nixon.....	100 00
Elias Welty.....	200 00
Total.....	\$5,100 00

Being the ratio of 100 cents to the dollar.

Estimates for the Ensuing Year.

Amount necessary for Superannuated Fund.....	\$5,580 00
For Bishops' Fund.....	1,545 00
For Educational Fund.....	2,040 00
Total.....	\$9,165 00

Assessed as follows :

DISTRICTS.	Superannuated Fund.	Bishops' Fund.	Educational Fund.
Baltimore District.....	\$940 00	\$260 00	\$345 00
East Baltimore District.....	920 00	255 00	340 00
Washington.....	1,010 00	280 00	370 00
Winchester.....	615 00	170 00	225 00
Rockingham.....	540 00	150 00	195 00
Roanoke.....	380 00	105 00	140 00
Lewisburg.....	320 00	90 00	115 00
Lexington.....	375 00	105 00	135 00
Moorefield.....	475 00	130 00	175 00
Total.....	\$5,580 00	\$1,545 00	\$2,040 00

Amount allowed to Superannuated preachers, and to widows and orphans of deceased preachers for the ensuing year, as follows :

Norval Wilson.....	\$450 00
Mrs. D. Trout.....	150 00
Mrs. Veitch.....	150 00
Mrs. John Trone.....	100 00
Mrs. Thos. H. Busey.....	100 00
P. S. E. Sixeas.....	250 00
Mrs. D. Shoaff.....	150 00
Jno. W. Tongue.....	350 00
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T. B. Sargent.....	200 00
Mrs. Cross and child.....	150 00
W. H. Wheelwright.....	450 00
Mrs. J. W. Bull.....	50 00
Henry Hoffman.....	150 00
Sam'l Kepler.....	200 00
R. S. Shreve's children.....	150 00
Mrs. Baird and 4 children.....	400 00
Wm. Hedges.....	150 00
A. A. Eskridge.....	300 00
Mrs. L. D. Nixon.....	50 00
Elias Welty.....	200 00
Mrs. F. C. Tebbs.....	50 00
Thomas Hildebrand.....	300 00
E. L. Kregelo.....	150 00
Mrs. J. F. Ligget.....	100 00
Wm. J. Perry.....	250 00
Mrs. Joseph Aikin.....	50 00
Contingencies.....	580 00
Total.....	\$5,580 00

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That it is the sense of this Board that the Joint Board of Finance should be called together immediately upon the adjournment of the Conference, for the purpose of electing a Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer for the ensuing year.

2. *Resolved*, That the Lay and Clerical members of the Joint Board of Finance be, and they are hereby directed and requested, as far as practicable, to take personal cognizance of the collections for the Superannuated and Bishops' Funds, in the various Stations and Circuits of their respective Districts for the ensuing year; and the Pastors of the several charges are requested to give all the necessary aid and to make all efforts in their power to bring up said apportionments.

3. *Resolved*, That we recommend the re-adoption of the resolution rescinded at this Conference, requiring the Preachers, upon the passage of their character, to account for the manner in which they have taken up the Conference collections.

Respectfully submitted,

SAM'L K. COX, *Chairman.*

A. POE BOUDE, *Secretary.*

DISCIPLINARY COLLECTIONS.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT.	BISHOP'S FUND.			SUPERANNUATED FUND.			EDUCATIONAL FUND.			BIBLE.
	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Paid.
Central.....	\$26 00	\$26 00		\$106 00	\$106 00		\$35 00	\$50 00		
St. Paul.....	26 00	26 00		106 00	106 00		35 00	43 00		
Emmanuel	26 00	26 00		106 00	90 00	16 00	35 00	25 00	10 00	
Frederick Avenue.....	10 00	10 00		38 00	38 00		13 00	2 00	11 00	
Calvary	20 00	20 00		75 00	50 00	25 00	26 00	26 00		
Baltimore Circuit.....	22 00	22 00		88 00	50 00	38 00	29 00	20 00	9 00	
Arlington and Pikesville.....	11 00	5 00	6 00	44 00	15 00	29 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	16 76
Frederick City.....	12 00	12 00		47 00	47 00		15 00	15 00		15 25
Linganore Circuit.....	15 00	15 00		62 00	45 00	17 00	21 00	10 00	11 00	5 00
Rockville Circuit.....	25 00	25 00		100 00	100 00		33 00	33 00		
Montgomery Circuit.....	15 00	10 00	5 00	62 00	29 00	33 00	21 00	10 50	10 50	
Howard Circuit.....	15 00	3 00	12 00	59 00	12 10	46 90	19 00	3 60	15 40	1 00
Beltsville Circuit.....	15 00	10 00	5 00	62 00	40 00	22 00	21 00	10 00	11 00	2 50
Laurel Circuit.....	17 00	17 00		65 00	65 00		22 00	20 80	1 20	
South River Circuit.....	13 00	10 75	2 25	52 00	15 25	36 75	18 00	1 15	16 85	
Bladensburg Circuit.....	6 00	6 00		23 50	23 50		7 50	7 50		
Emory.....	10 00	10 00		41 00	30 00	11 00	14 00	10 00	4 00	
German Mission—Pierce and Keener.....	4 00	4 00		15 00	15 00		5 00	5 00		1 50
Marlboro Circuit.....	6 00	6 00		23 50	23 50		7 50	7 50		
Less amount overpaid.....	\$294 00	\$263 75	\$30 25	1,175 00	\$900 35	\$274 65	\$392 00	\$304 05	\$109 95	\$42 01
									22 00	
									\$87 95	

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.										
Trinity.....	72 00	72 00	.....	275 00	275 00	.....	80 00	80 00	.....	45 00
East Baltimore.....	12 00	5 88	6 12	30 00	15 00	15 00	8 00	2 00	6 00	.....
North Baltimore.....	12 00	12 00	.....	50 00	44 00	6 00	10 00	10 00	.....	.....
Taylor Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	50 00	50 00	.....	15 00	6 39	8 61	.....
West Harford Circuit.....	6 00	3 85	2 15	20 00	14 87	5 13	4 00	2 57	1 43	.....
East Harford Circuit.....	8 00	3 00	5 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
Talbot Circuit.....	17 00	12 00	5 00	55 00	55 00	.....	30 00	45 00	.....	1 00
Trappe.....	6 00	7 55	.....	30 00	34 65	.....	5 00	6 55	.....	2 00
Kent Circuit.....	10 00	10 00	.....	50 00	36 00	14 00	15 00	8 00	7 00	.....
Queen Anne Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	25 00	20 00	5 00	50
Severn Circuit.....	7 00	5 00	2 00	40 00	6 00	34 00	8 00	2 00	6 00	1 00
West River Circuit.....	14 00	12 00	2 00	65 00	60 00	5 00	20 00	15 00	5 00	2 00
Calvert Circuit.....	14 00	10 00	4 00	65 00	20 00	45 00	30 00	.....	30 00	.....
Prince George Circuit.....	17 00	17 00	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	30 00	30 00	.....	5 00
Charles Circuit.....	10 00	10 00	.....	37 00	37 00	.....	25 00	25 00	.....	.....
Bethany Independent Methodist Church.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80 00	.....	.....
	\$229 00	\$204 28	\$26 27	\$917 00	\$787 52	\$134 13	\$311 00	\$332 51	\$75 04	\$56 50
Less amount overpaid.			1 55			4 65			96 55	
			\$24 72			\$129 48			\$21 51	

DISCIPLINARY COLLECTIONS—Continued.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.	BISHOP'S FUND.			SUPERANNUATED FUND.			EDUCATIONAL FUND.			BIBLE.
	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Paid.
Mount Vernon Place.....	\$28 00	\$28 00	.....	\$112 00	\$112 00	.....	\$43 00	\$43 00	.....	.....
Alexandria.....	28 00	28 00	.....	122 00	122 00	.....	47 00	50 00	.....	25 00
Fairfax Circuit.....	15 00	15 00	.....	55 00	40 00	15 00	17 00	17 00	.....	.....
Falls Church Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	50 00	40 00	10 00	14 00	13 00	2 00	8 65
Farmwell Circuit.....	9 00	9 00	.....	35 00	35 00	.....	9 00	9 00	.....	.....
Leesburg.....	15 00	15 00	.....	65 00	100 00	.....	22 00	25 00	.....	14 00
Hamilton and Grove.....	13 00	13 00	.....	60 00	60 00	.....	17 00	25 00	.....	.....
Potomac Mission.....										
Hillsboro Circuit.....	15 00	15 40	.....	60 00	60 00	.....	17 00	17 52	.....	4 40
Loudoun Circuit.....	36 00	36 00	.....	30 00	100 00	.....	47 00	40 00	7 00	.....
Piedmont Circuit.....	23 00	17 00	6 00	95 00	30 00	65 00	30 00	10 00	20 00	.....
Linden Circuit.....	10 00	5 00	5 00	30 00	15 00	15 00	12 00	4 00	8 00	3 00
Warrenton.....	15 00	11 25	3 75	60 00	45 00	15 00	22 00	16 50	5 50	.....
Fauquier Circuit.....	13 00	9 50	3 50	50 00	36 50	13 50	15 00	11 00	4 00	1 00
Prince William Circuit.....	8 00	8 00	.....	30 00	30 00	.....	9 00	9 00	.....	.....
Stafford Circuit.....	13 00	13 00	.....	50 00	50 00	.....	13 00	13 00	.....	.....
Fredericksburg.....	14 00	14 00	.....	65 00	65 00	.....	22 00	22 00	.....	14 90
Less amount overpaid.....	\$267 00	\$249 15	\$18 25 40	\$969 00	\$940 50	\$133 50 105 00	\$356 00	\$324 02	\$46 50 14 52	\$70 95
			\$17 85			\$28 50			\$31 98	

WINCHESTER DISTRICT.										
Winchester Station.....	\$20 00	\$20 00	.....	\$65 00	\$65 00	.....	\$30 00	\$30 00	.....	\$13 00
Winchester Circuit.....	20 00	20 00	.....	80 00	80 00	.....	60 00	18 75	41 25	22 00
Frederick Mission.....	5 00	2 75	2 25	30 00	16 52	13 48	10 00	.....	10 00	.....
Front Royal and Riverton	15 00	13 00	2 00	40 00	30 00	10 00	12 00	4 00	8 00	.....
Berryville Mission.....	10 00	10 00	.....	40 00	10 00	30 00	15 00	3 50	11 50	.....
Martinsburg	10 00	10 00	.....	50 00	45 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	10 00	5 00
Berkeley Circuit.....	12 00	8 00	4 00	50 00	14 00	36 00	15 00	2 07	12 93	.....
Charlestown	14 00	14 00	.....	50 00	42 00	8 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	.....
Shepherdstown.....	14 00	14 00	.....	60 00	61 00	.....	30 00	13 50	16 50	.....
Gainsboro Circuit.....	10 00	3 75	6 25	40 00	15 00	25 00	6 00	1 25	4 75	.....
Morgan Mission.....	5 00	2 10	2 90	15 00	6 30	8 70	2 00	1 00	1 00	.....
Shenandoah Mission.....	6 00	6 00	.....	8 00	8 00	.....	2 00	2 00	.....	50
Wardensville Circuit.....	8 00	5 75	2 25	30 00	25 25	4 75	5 00	2 60	2 40	.....
Strasburg Circuit.....	5 00	3 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	.....	.....
Warren Circuit.....	5 00	4 00	1 00	20 00	18 00	2 00	8 00	3 00	5 00	.....
Brucetown Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	50 00	34 00	16 00	20 00	5 00	15 00	.....
	\$171 00	\$148 35	\$22 65	\$633 00	\$473 07	\$160 93 1 00	\$252 00	\$103 67	\$148 33	\$40 50
Less amount overpaid.....						\$159 93				
ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.										
Staunton.....	23 00	23 00	.....	80 00	80 00	.....	27 00	27 00	.....	.....
Harrisonburg.....	22 00	22 00	.....	75 00	75 00	.....	26 00	73 25	.....	.....
Shenandoah Iron Works.....	12 00	12 00	.....	45 00	45 00	.....	15 00	34 50	.....	4 00
Mount Sidney Circuit.....	10 00	8 00	2 00	40 00	37 00	3 00	12 00	5 00	7 00	.....
Churchville Circuit.....	15 00	9 00	6 00	33 00	18 25	14 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bridgewater Circuit.....	12 00	9 00	3 00	50 00	25 00	25 00	17 00	5 00	12 00	.....
Sangersville Mission.....	5 00	4 50	50	20 00	18 00	2 00	5 00	2 50	2 50	.....

DISCIPLINARY COLLECTIONS—Continued.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT—Continued.	BISHOP'S FUND.			SUPERANNUATED FUND.			EDUCATIONAL FUND.			BIBLE.
	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Paid.
East Rockingham Circuit.....	\$9 00	\$9 00	.....	\$35 00	\$35 00	.....	\$12 00	\$12 00	.....	\$5 50
Rockingham Mission.....	6 00	5 00	1 00	25 00	13 00	12 00	8 00	2 00	6 00	.....
Elk Run Circuit.....	4 00	1 00	3 00	17 50	1 00	16 50	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
New Market Circuit.....	7 00	5 00	2 00	30 00	15 50	14 50	10 00	5 00	5 00	.....
Woodstock Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	60 00	41 50	18 50	20 00	12 50	7 50	12 50
Luray Circuit.....	4 00	2 00	2 00	25 00	10 00	15 00	8 00	3 00	5 00	.....
Port Republic Circuit.....	5 00	4 00	1 00	22 00	19 00	3 00	7 00	6 00	1 00	5 07
Furnace No. 2 Mission.....	4 00	1 00	3 00	17 50	2 00	15 50	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
	\$150 00	\$126 50	\$23 50	\$575 00	\$435 25	\$139 75	\$179 00	\$187 75	\$58 00	\$27 07
Amount overpaid.....									66 75	
									\$8 75	
ROANOKE DISTRICT.										
Salem.....	13 00	13 00	.....	52 00	52 00	.....	17 00	17 00	.....	3 00
Roanoke Circuit.....	10 00	10 00	.....	42 00	42 00	.....	14 00	12 00	2 00	.....
Blacksburg.....	10 00	10 00	.....	42 00	35 00	7 00	14 00	10 00	4 00	.....
Christiansburg Mission.....	10 00	10 00	.....	42 00	23 00	19 00	14 00	2 30	11 70	12 00
Fincastle Circuit.....	13 00	13 00	.....	52 00	52 00	.....	17 00	17 00	.....	.....
Lexington Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	44 00	44 00	.....	15 00	6 00	9 00	.....
James River Circuit.....	8 00	8 00	.....	34 00	34 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Castle Mission.....	2 00	50	1 50	12 00	6 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Catawba Circuit.....	5 00	.....	5 00	16 00	2 00	14 00	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
Sinking Creek Circuit.....	8 00	7 00	1 00	31 00	16 00	15 00	11 00	2 00	9 00	.....
LaFayette Mission.....	7 00	3 00	4 00	30 00	8 00	22 00	10 00	2 00	8 00	.....
	\$98 00	\$86 50	\$11 50	\$397 00	\$314 00	\$83 00	\$118 00	\$68 30	\$49 70	\$15 00

LEWISBURG DISTRICT.										
Lewisburg.....	\$10 00	\$10 00	.....	\$40 00	\$40 00	.....	\$14 00	\$10 00	\$4 00	.....
Frankford....	12 00	5 00	7 00	48 00	15 00	33 00	16 00	3 00	13 00	.....
White Sulphur.....	5 00	3 00	2 00	20 00	12 25	7 75	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
White Sulphur Circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Levelton Station...	12 00	6 00	6 00	47 00	10 00	37 00	16 00	5 00	11 00	.....
Edray Mission.....	4 00	2 00	2 00	15 00	2 00	13 00	6 00	1 00	5 00	.....
Greenbank Circuit.....	10 00	10 00	.....	40 00	37 00	3 00	12 00	10 00	2 00	.....
Centreville Circuit.....	12 00	12 00	.....	47 00	12 00	35 00	16 00	4 00	12 00	.....
Union Circuit.....	8 00	8 00	.....	32 00	32 00	.....	11 00	11 00	.....	.....
Peterstown Circuit.....	5 00	1 25	3 75	20 00	2 50	17 50	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
Summers Circuit.....	5 00	3 00	2 00	20 00	10 00	10 00	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
Hillsdale Mission..	5 00	4 00	1 00	20 00	18 00	2 00	6 00	5 00	1 00	4 00
Blue Sulphur.....	10 00	10 00	.....	40 00	40 00	.....	14 00	14 00	.....	.....
	\$98 00	\$74 25	\$23 75	\$389 00	\$230 75	\$158 25	\$129 00	\$63 00	\$66 00	\$4 00
LEXINGTON DISTRICT.										
Lexington	16 05	16 05	.....	64 35	64 35	.....	21 40	21 40	.....	.....
Collierstown Mission.....	9 30	9 30	.....	37 25	16 60	20 65	10 00	1 40	8 60	1 60
Fairfield Circuit.....	11 85	6 03	5 82	47 40	10 65	36 75	15 76	3 35	12 41	.....
Augusta Circuit.....	8 00	5 00	3 00	33 84	11 55	22 29	11 25	6 19	5 06	.....
West Augusta Circuit.....	8 41	5 00	3 41	33 84	10 00	23 84	11 25	3 00	8 25	2 00
Upper Botetourt Circuit	8 05	8 05	.....	32 15	14 50	17 65	10 75	2 85	7 90	.....
Covington Circuit.....	8 41	8 41	.....	33 84	19 00	14 84	11 25	8 00	3 25	.....
Alleghany Circuit.....	4 15	3 75	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monterey Circuit.....	11 85	2 50	9 35	47 40	7 69	39 71	15 76	2 10	13 66	.....
Crab Bottom Circuit.....	9 30	4 00	5 30	37 25	16 00	21 25	12 40	4 00	8 40	.....
Highland Circuit	7 60	4 00	3 60	30 45	11 00	19 45	10 13	4 00	6 13	2 00
Bath Circuit.....	8 05	4 00	4 05	33 16	8 00	25 16	.....	.....	.....	.....
Green Valley Mission.....	.....	.....	.....	10 16	4 00	6 16	.....	.....	.....	.....
	\$111 02	\$76 09	\$34 93	\$441 09	\$193 34	\$247 75	\$129 95	\$56 29	\$73 66	\$5 60

DISCIPLINARY COLLECTIONS—Concluded.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.	BISHOP'S FUND.			SUPERANNUATED FUND.			EDUCATIONAL FUND.			BIBLE.
	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Paid.
Moorefield.....	\$15 00	\$15 00	.....	\$59 00	\$41 50	\$17 50	\$20 00	\$3 00	\$17 00	.....
Petersburg Mission.....	6 00	6 00	.....	23 00	23 00	.....	8 00	10 00	.....	.....
Franklin Mission.....	8 00	5 00	3 00	33 00	17 00	16 00	11 00	5 60	5 40	.....
South Branch Circuit.....	15 00	15 00	.....	61 00	46 25	14 75	20 00	20 00	.....	.....
Springfield Circuit.....	14 00	10 00	4 00	57 00	50 00	7 00	19 00	10 00	9 00	.....
North River Circuit.....	5 00	5 00	.....	22 00	16 00	6 00	7 00	1 00	6 00	.....
Hardy Mission.....	4 00	1 00	3 00	17 00	3 00	14 00	6 00	1 45	4 55	.....
Piedmont.....	12 00	12 00	.....	47 00	47 00	.....	16 00	16 00	.....	.....
Fröstburg and Somersset.....	5 00	5 00	.....	19 00	19 00	.....	6 00	6 00	.....	.....
Cumberland.....	6 00	4 00	2 00	23 00	16 00	7 00	8 00	1 75	6 25	.....
Flintstone Circuit.....	12 00	8 00	4 00	47 00	15 00	32 00	16 00	10 00	6 00	.....
South Fork Mission.....	2 00	50	1 50	7 00	1 70	5 30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Keyser City.....	7 00	7 00	.....	28 00	15 00	13 00	9 00	9 00	.....	.....
Listonville.....	4 00	4 00	.....	17 00	17 00	.....	5 00	5 00	.....	.....
Rainsburg.....	3 00	3 00	.....	12 00	12 00	.....	4 00	4 00	.....	.....
Less amount overpaid.....	\$118 00	\$100 50	\$17 50	\$472 00	\$339 45	\$132 55	\$155 00	\$102 80	\$54 20	2 00
									\$52 20	

DISCIPLINARY COLLECTIONS—RECAPITULATION.

NAMES OF DISTRICT.	BISHOP'S FUND.			SUPERANNUATED FUND.			EDUCATIONAL FUND.			BIBLE.
	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Assessed	Paid.	Def.	Paid.
Baltimore.....	\$294 00	\$263 75	\$30 25	\$1175 00	\$900 35	\$274 65	\$392 00	\$304 05	\$87 95	\$42 01
East Baltimore.....	229 00	204 28	24 72	917 00	787 52	129 48	311 00	332 51	.....	56 50
Washington.....	267 00	249 15	17 85	969 00	940 50	28 50	356 00	324 02	31 98	70 95
Winchester.....	171 00	148 35	22 65	633 00	473 07	159 93	252 00	103 67	148 33	40 50
Rockingham.....	150 00	126 50	23 50	575 00	435 25	139 75	179 00	187 75	.....	27 07
Roanoke.....	98 00	86 50	11 50	397 00	314 00	83 00	118 00	68 30	49 70	15 00
Lewisburg.....	98 00	74 25	23 75	389 00	230 75	158 25	129 00	63 00	66 00	4 00
Lexington.....	111 02	76 09	34 93	441 09	193 34	247 75	129 95	56 29	73 66	5 60
Moorefield.....	118 00	100 50	17 50	472 00	339 45	132 55	155 00	102 80	52 20	.....
	\$1536 02	\$1329 37	\$206 65	\$5968 09	\$4614 23	\$1353 86	\$2021 95	\$1542 39	\$509 82	\$261 63
Less amount overpaid.....									30 26	
									\$479 56	

Total amount received from Bishop's, Superannuated and Educational Funds.

Bishop's Fund.....	\$1,329 37
Superannuated Fund.....	4,614 23
Educational Fund	1,542 39
Cash from collection.....	334 38
Amount subscribed, but not collected.....	825 00

\$8,645 37

Amount paid to Superannuated preachers and widows and orphans of deceased preachers.....	\$5,100 00
Amount paid to the Bishops.....	1,350 00
Traveling expense of Bishop Marvin.....	70 00
Amount to Randolph Macon College.....	2,000 00

\$8,520 00

RECEIPTS FOR 1875.

Superannuated Fund.....	\$3,686 07
Bishops' Fund.....	1,247 99
Educational Fund.....	1,183 56
Collection.....	1,200 00

\$7,317 62

RECEIPTS FOR 1876.

Superannuated Fund.....	\$4,614 23	Increase. \$928 16
Bishops' Fund.....	1,329 37	81 38
Educational Fund.....	1,542 39	358 83
Collection.....	1,159 38	

\$8,645 37

T. J. MAGRUDER, *Treasurer.*

WINCHESTER, VA., March, 1876.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

*Of the BALTIMORE CONFERENCE of M. E. Church, South, as amended
March 9th, 1875.*

ARTICLE 1. This Board shall be denominated and known as the Board of Missions of the Baltimore Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South.

ART. 2. The Board shall consist of eleven Managers, to be chosen annually by the Conference, seven of whom shall be clerical and four lay members; and at their first meeting they shall elect their own President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. In case of vacancy, by death, resignation, or otherwise, the Board shall fill the same, subject to confirmation by the Conference.

ART. 3. The President, and in his absence the Vice President, shall preside at all meetings of the Board.

ART. 4. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall take charge of all the funds and property of the Board, subject to the order of the Board, and shall make an accurate and full report annually of all the receipts and disbursements of the Board.

ART. 6. The Secretary shall keep a full and complete record of the proceedings of the Board, and shall make the Annual Report of the Board.

ART. 7. Preachers in charge of mission work are required to make *quarterly* reports of the same to the Secretary of this Board.

ART. 8. All money collected for missionary purposes shall be paid first to the Treasurer of the Board, and by him, pro rata to the several claimants.

ART. 9. Collections for missions shall be taken in all the charges of the Conference without reference to the anniversary, and the money collected at this meeting shall be appropriated to the fund for the next ensuing year.

ART. 10. All amendments to or alterations of the Constitution of the Society shall be proposed by the Board, to be confirmed by the Conference,

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS, BALTIMORE CONFERENCE.

During the past year we have sustained within our bounds, twenty-four missions. One being a mission amongst the Germans of Baltimore and its vicinity, and under the successful management of Rev. E. N. S. Blogg, of the Virginia Conference.

One young man, of fine promise, has been converted in this mission, and is now laboring with much zeal and success amongst his German countrymen in Texas. Another has been found in this mission who is now preparing for the missionary work amongst the German settlers of Brazil, S. A. Bro. Blogg has been ably assisted in his labors by Rev. Gotlieb Meyer.

Of the other missions, one has been in the Baltimore District—Beltsville—in charge of Rev. Wm. A. McDonald. Two in the East Baltimore District—West Harford and Kent—which have been respectively served by Revs. Chas. Torreyson and Elias Welty, and with encouraging results.

In the Washington District we have had one mission, under Rev. J. P. Hall. This mission has been absorbed during the year by the surrounding regular appointments.

In the Winchester District we have had four missions—Friedrick, Berryville, Morgan and Shenandoah, efficiently conducted by Revs. Geo. Stevenson, A. B. Dolly, Wm. M. Hiner, and A. Roby. The Shenandoah mission has been divided during the year, and a self-supporting charge constructed.

We have had in the Rockingham District three missions, viz: Rockingham, under Rev. J. T. Maxwell; Elk Run, under Rev. Wm. B. Dorsey; and Furnace No. 2, under Rev. L. Fox. These missions present many features of interest and give promise of much good.

In the Lexington District we have had four missions—Fairfield, in charge of Rev. J. S. Porter; West Augusta, in charge of Rev. S. B. Dolly; Monterey, in charge of Rev. Thos. Hildebrand; and Green Valley, under Rev. A. H. Way. These missions have been faithfully cared for, and with gracious results.

The one mission in the Lewisburg District—Edray—has been well served by Rev. J. W. Canter.

In the Roanoke District we have had four missions, viz: Christiansburg, New Castle, Catawba and Lafayette, in charge respectively of Revs. F. A. Mercer, Robt. Ross, Jno. D. Eddington, and L. Butt. Labors upon these missions both abundant and successful.

Moorefield District has had two missionary fields within its bounds, viz: Hardy and South Fork. Both rugged and with many discouragements, but faithfully served by Revs. J. Varner and Asbury C. McNeer.

The Board revised the appropriations to the above missions, making a reduction of amount to Potomac mission of \$50.00. The full amounts to the other missions were continued and ordered to be paid in full, aggregating \$5,275.00.

On motion, it was resolved to continue in office the same President and other Officers of the Board of Missions as existing past year.

The Board also resolved to be rigid in enforcing the Seventh Article of Constitution, referring to preachers on missions making quarterly reports to the Secretary of Board.

On motion, it was resolved that the President and Secretary of our Home Mission Board, be and are hereby directed to make request of the Board of General Missions, at Nashville, for an appropriation of the sum of \$500.00, for the support of our German work in Baltimore City.

Encouragement was extended to Rev. Saml. Rushton, a colored local preacher belonging to Leesburg Station, Washington District, to continue his labors amongst his own people in and about Leesburg, Va.—\$25.00 appropriated.

We present the following aggregated table of Statistics of our Mission work for the past year.

No. of Churches.....	50
Value of Churches.....	\$65,500 00
Total Number of Members.....	2,844
No. of Baptisms, Infants and Adults.....	422
No. of Sunday Schools.....	69
Total Number in S. Schools, Scholars, Teachers and Officers.....	2,975
Total Amount Received on Missions for Support of their Preachers..	\$5,378 05
Total Amount Received from Missions on Conference Collections.....	\$973 96
Number of Conversions.....	679

THOS. E. CARSON, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY, BALTIMORE CONFERENCE, M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

Dr.

MARCH, 1876.

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To amount received from BALTIMORE DISTRICT.	DOMESTIC MISS.		FOREIGN MISS.		BY AMOUNT PAID.	DOMESTIC MISS.	
	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.		Allowed	Paid.
Central—John A. Kern.....	\$85 00	\$85 00	\$68 00	\$68 00			
St. Paul's—S. Keener Cox.	85 00	85 00	68 00	74 00			
Emmanuel—John Hannon.....	85 00	65 00	68 00	52 00			
Frederick Avenue—B. S. Highly.....	30 00	10 00	25 00	10 00			
Calvary—Henry H. Kennedy.....	60 00	30 00	50 00	10 00			
Baltimore Circuit—John Landstreet....	71 00	25 00	57 00	18 55			
Arlington & Pikesville—Geo. G. Brooke.	36 00	17 26	28 00	15 00			
Frederick City—George T. Tyler.....	38 00	39 00	30 00	31 00			
Linganore Circuit—David Bush.....	50 00	25 00	39 00	25 00			
Rockville Circuit—John C. Dice....	80 00	30 75	65 00	65 00			
Montgomery Circuit—William A. Wade.	50 00	17 07	39 00	11 00			
Howard Circuit—J. C. Sedwick....	47 00	4 50	38 00	3 50			
Beltsville Circuit—W. A. McDonald....	50 00	40 00	39 00	20 00	Beltsville—Wm. A. McDonald.....	10 00	100 00
Laurel Circuit—Isaac W. Canter.....	52 00	52 00	41 00	41 00			
South River Circuit—Robert Smith....	43 00	16 00	34 00	5 10			
Bladensburg Circuit—John W. Ewan..	19 00	12 75	15 00	12 75			
Marlborough Circuit—W. R. McNerr...	19 00	19 00	15 00	15 00			
Emory Station—Wm. E. Miller.....	33 00	25 00	27 00	20 00			
German Mission—E. N. S. Blogg.....	12 00	12 75	9 00	9 00	German Mission—E. N. S. Blogg.....	500 00	500 00
					Gottlieb Myer and others.	500 00	500 00
	\$945 00	\$611 08	\$755 00	\$505 90			

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT.

Trinity—Wm. W. Walker.....	\$333 00	\$333 00	\$267 00	\$267 00
East Baltimore—L. W. Haslup	28 00	8 00	22 00	7 50
North Baltimore—S. W. Haddaway....	52 00	52 00	30 00	21 00
Taylor Circuit—Thomas W. Brown.....	78 00	33 67	62 00	26 00
West Harford Circuit—Elias Welty	22 00	14 15	18 00	11 57
East Harford Circuit—By D. Ball, P. E..	33 00	8 45	27 00	6 00
Talbot Circuit—R. Smithson.....	55 00	47 33	45 00	38 00
Trappe Station—B. W. Bond.....	22 00	26 00	20 00	23 75
Kent Circuit—C. L. Torreyson.....	38 00	30 00	32 00	12 00
Queen Anne Circuit—W. W. Watts....	55 00	55 00	45 00	45 00
Severn Circuit—John W. Steele.....	33 00	5 00	27 00	2 00
West River Circuit—E. H. Henry	47 00	40 00	38 00	30 00
Calvert Circuit—G. W. Lightner.....	47 00	12 00	38 00	18 00
Prince George Circuit—W. H. Seat....	61 00	61 00	50 00	57 60
Charles Circuit—H. W. Kinzer... ..	41 00	41 00	34 00	34 15

\$945 00 \$766 60 \$755 00 \$599 57

WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

Mt. Vernon Place—A. W. Wilson.....	130 00	130 00	104 00	173 25
Alexandria—J. H. Waugh.....	135 00	135 00	108 00	108 00
Fairfax Circuit—C. A. Joyce.....	55 00	39 00	44 00	39 00
Falls Church Circuit—W. G. Hammond.	35 00	26 45	28 00	21 65
Farmwell Circuit—O. C. Beall.....	30 00	30 00	24 00	24 00
Leesburg Station—J. S. Gardner.....	65 00	100 00	51 00	114 00
Potomac Mission—J. P. Hall.....	50 00	50 00	43 00	43 00
Hamilton & Grove—L. H. Crenshaw....	60 00	38 00	46 00	38 50
Hillsboro Circuit—L. R. Jones.....	155 00	77 00	124 00	70 00
Loudoun Circuit—T. E. Carson.....	75 00	35 00	60 00	30 00
Piedmont Circuit—C. G. Linthicum....	60 00	45 00	48 00	36 00
Warrenton Circuit—James Higgins....	25 00	10 00	20 00	8 15
Linden Circuit—L. H. Baldwin.....	25 00	18 00	20 00	14 50
Fauquier Circuit—H. A. Gaver.....	20 00	20 00	16 00	16 00
Prince William Circuit—J. M. Grandin.	20 00	20 00	16 00	16 00
Stafford Circuit—S. F. Butt.....	60 00	60 00	48 00	48 00
Fredericksburg Station—R. R. S. Hough.				

\$1000 00 \$833 45 \$800 00 \$800 05

West Harford—E. Welty..... 250 00 250 00

Talbot—R. Smithson..... 300 00 300 00

Kent—C. L. Torreyson..... 250 00 250 00

\$50 of which goes towards educating a child in China.

Potomac Mission—J. P. Hall..... 250 00 250 00

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY--Continued.

To amount received from WINCHESTER DISTRICT.	DOMESTIC MISS.		FOREIGN MISS.		BY AMOUNT PAID.	DOMESTIC MISS.	
	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.		Allowed	Paid.
Winchester Station—Samuel Rodgers...	\$72 00	\$72 00	\$59 00	\$61 00			
Winchester Circuit—W. G. Eggleston...	83 00	53 00	68 00	57 21			
Strausburg Circuit—M. G. Balthis.....	5 00	3 00	5 00	3 00			
Frederick Mission—Geo. Stevenson ...	37 00	7 25	30 00	.....	Frederick Mission—Geo. Stevenson....	200 00	200 00
Front Royal & Riverton—J. H. Dulaney	38 00	21 00	31 00	19 00			
Warren Circuit—J. Asbury Regester....	18 00	7 00	13 00	11 00			
Berryville Mission—A. B. Dolly.....	28 00	5 00	23 00	5 00	Berryville Mission—A. B. Dolly.....	100 00	100 00
Brucetown Circuit—S. Townsend.....	44 00	27 00	36 00	23 00			
Martinsburg Station—L. C. Miller.....	55 00	37 00	45 00	25 40			
Berkeley Circuit—John W. Wolff	47 00	12 00	38 00	8 00			
Charlestown Station—S. G. Ferguson...	50 00	25 00	40 00	15 25			
Shepherdstown Circuit—A. A. P. Neale.	61 00	61 25	49 00	49 00			
Gainsboro Circuit—L. G. Martin.....	33 00	6 00	27 00	4 80			
Wardensville Circuit—L. C. Grabill.....	33 00	16 23	27 00	15 77			
Morgan Mission—W. M. Hiner.....	17 00	7 50	13 00	5 00	Morgan Mission—W. M. Hiner.....	75 00	75 00
Shenandoah Mission—A. Robey.....	17 00	8 00	14 00	3 00	Shenandoah Mission—A. Robey.....	350 00	350 00
	\$638 00	\$368 23	\$518 00	\$305 43			

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.							
Staunton—John S. Martin.....	\$71 50	\$71 50	\$58 50	\$58 50			
Harrisonburg—S. S. Roszell.....	66 00	66 00	54 00	54 00			
Shenandoah Iron Works—W. C. Maloy.	44 00	44 00	36 00	36 00			
Mt. Sidney Circuit—J. H. Temple	41 25	23 50	33 75	23 50			
Churchville Circuit—G. R. Jefferson....	44 00	10 00	36 00	5 25			
Bridgewater Circuit—Gilson Mauzey....	49 50	20 00	40 50	15 00			
Sangersville Circuit—Frazier Furr.....	16 50	11 50	13 50	15 00			
Rockingham Mission—J. T. Maxwell...	22 00	2 50	18 00	2 50	Rockingham Mission—J. T. Maxwell..	100 00	100 00
E. Rockingham Circuit—F. A. Strother..	33 00	33 0	27 00	27 00			
Port Republic Circuit—Geo. B. Allen...	22 00	19 00	18 00	16 22			
Elk Run Mission—Wm. B. Dorsey.....	16 50	3 00	13 50	2 00	Elk River Mission—Wm. B. Dorsey...	50 00	50 00
Furnace No. 2 Mission—L. Fox.....	16 50	5 00	13 50	3 00	Furnace No. 2—L. Fox.	150 00	150 00
New Market Circuit—C. L. Dameron...	30 25	10 00	24 75	15 70			
Woodstock Circuit—Wm. C. Ross.....	55 00	23 75	45 00	18 00			
Luray Circuit—A. C. Gearhart.....	22 00	8 00	18 00	8 00			
	\$550 00	\$350 75	\$450 00	\$299 67			
ROANOKE DISTRICT.							
Salem Station—J. W. Duffy.....	50 00	50 00	40 00	40 00	Roanoke Dist.—Jas. E. Armstrong, P. E.	200 00	200 00
Roanoke Circuit—J. J. Engle.....	40 00	20 00	32 00	32 00			
Blacksburg Station—B. F. Ball	40 00	10 00	32 00	20 00			
Christiansburg Mission—F. A. Mercer..	40 00	23 50	32 00	16 50	Christiansburg Mission—F. A. Mercer.	100 00	100 00
Fincastle Circuit—J. M. Follansbee....	50 00	50 00	40 00	40 00			
Lexington Circuit—A. Poe Boude.....	44 00	19 00	35 00	15 00			
James River Circuit—J. T. Williams....	33 00	15 00	26 00	12 00			
New Castle Mission—Robert Ross.....	20 00	9 00	15 00	6 10	Newcastle Mission—Rob't Ross.....	100 00	100 00
Catawba Miss.—Sup'd by J. D. Eddington	16 00	5 00	14 00	3 00	Catawba Mission—Jno. D. Eddington..	50 00	50 00
Sinking Creek Circuit—F. H. Shipley...	31 00	9 00	24 00	14 25			
Lafayette Mission—Leonidas Butt.....	26 00	6 32	20 00	5 00	Lafayette Mission—L. Butt.....	100 00	100 00
	\$390 00	\$216 82	\$310 00	\$203 85			

REPORT OF TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETY—Concluded.

To amount received from LEWISBURG DISTRICT.	DOMESTIC MISS.		FORIEGN MISS.		BY AMOUNT PAID.	DOMESTIC MISS.	
	Assessed	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.		Allowed	Paid.
Lewisburg Station—P. B. Smith.....	\$36 00	\$28 20	\$28 00	\$21 90	Lewisburg District—W. G. Coe, P. E..	350 00	350 00
Frankford Circuit—J. J. Crickenberger.	40 00	10 50	32 00	8 00			
W. Sulphur Station—V. W. Wheeler...	15 00	8 00	13 00	6 00			
W. Sulphur Circuit—No Pastor.....	14 00	.....	11 00	.....		
Blue Sulphur Circuit—W. L. Lynch....	35 00	35 00	27 00	27 00			
Levelton Circuit—J. R. Vanhorne.....	40 00	8 05	30 00	17 00			
Edray Mission—John W. Canter.....	12 00	5 00	8 00	.....	Edray Mission—J. W. Canter.....	100 00	100 00
Green Bank Circuit—H. W. Strickler...	30 00	25 00	25 00	25 00			
Centreville Circuit—J. F. Follin..	39 00	20 00	31 00	15 00			
Union Circuit—H. C. Pitzer.....	27 00	27 00	21 00	21 00			
Peterstown Circuit—J. N. Gray.....	15 00	2 00	13 00	1 00			
Summers Circuit—O. F. Burgess.....	16 00	5 00	14 00	5 00			
Hillsdale Mission—R. H. Wheeler.....	16 00	12 00	12 00	11 00			
	\$335 00	\$185 75	\$265 00	\$157 90			

LEXINGTON DISTRICT.					Lexington District—Jno. L. Gilbert....	200 00	200 00
Lexington Station—Wm. K. Boyle....	\$37 25	\$37 25	\$47 00	\$47 00			
Collierstown Circuit—A. Q. Flaherty...	21 60	11 40	27 33	5 00	Fairfield Mission—J. S. Porter.....	100 00	100 00
Fairfield Mission—J. S. Porter.....	27 50	13 25	34 75	17 50			
Augusta Circuit—A. Weller.....	19 63	8 10	24 81	6 40	West Augusta Mission—S. B. Dolly....	150 00	150 00
W. Augusta Mission—S. B. Dolly.. . .	19 63	10 00	24 81	10 00			
Upper Botetourt Cir.—W. W. Hedrick..	18 65	6 95	23 57	9 50			
Covington Circuit—W. T. Quinn.....	19 63	5 00	24 81	10 25			
Alleghany Circuit—Henry S. Watts...	9 82	.....	12 42	.....	Monterey Circuit—T. Hildebrand.....	100 00	100 00
Monterey Circuit—Thos. Hildebrand...	27 50	5 00	34 75	5 10			
Crab Bottom Circuit—R. H. Wilson....	21 60	13 00	27 33	8 00			
Highland Circuit—H. D. Bishop.....	17 66	6 00	22 40	9 00			
Bath Circuit—S. S. Ryder.....	18 65	.....	23 57	7 00	Green Valley Mission—A. H. Way.....	150 00	150 00
Green Valley Mission—A. H. Way.....	5 88	2 00	7 45	.....		
	\$265 00	\$117 95	\$335 00	\$134 75			
MOOREFIELD DISTRICT.							
Moorefield Station—W. H. Wilson.	\$49 00	\$23 00	\$39 00	\$16 50			
Petersburg Circuit—J. D. C. Hanna....	19 00	19 00	16 00	16 00			
Franklin Circuit—S. R. Snapp.....	27 00	15 00	22 00	12 00			
Keyser City Circuit—Wesley Hammond	23 00	10 00	19 00	19 00			
South Branch Circuit—J. S. Hutchinson.	51 00	32 20	40 00	40 00			
Springfield Circuit—Jas. H. Wolff.....	47 00	47 00	37 00	37 00			
North River Circuit—John W. Shreve..	18 00	12 00	14 00	17 00			
Hardy Mission—W. Varner.....	14 00	2 00	11 00	11 00	Hardy Mission—W. Varner.....	100 00	100 00
Piedmont Station—J. L. Shipley.....	39 00	39 00	31 00	31 50			
Frostburg Circuit—C. E. Simmons.....	16 00	16 00	12 00	12 50			
Listonville Circuit—Luke R. Markwood.	14 00	10 00	11 00	11 00			
Cumberland Sta.—Geo. H. Zimmerman..	18 00	12 00	15 00	12 00			
Flintstone Circuit—James Beatty.....	39 00	6 80	31 00	10 80			
Rainsburg Circuit—J. R. Andrew... .	10 00	10 00	8 00	8 00			
South Fork Mission—Asbury C. McNeer	6 00	1 55	4 00	71	South Fork Mission—A. C. McNeer...	250 00	250 00
	\$390 00	\$255 55	\$310 00	\$255 01			

SPECIAL COLLECTION

During Conference at Washington, D. C., March, 1875.

S. G. Morsell.....	\$100 00
Wm. Milnes.....	100 00
Mrs. Wm. Milnes.....	75 00
Benjamin Milnes.....	25 00
T. J. Milnes.....	25 00
Bessie J. Milnes	25 00
Mary C. Milnes.....	25 00
Wm. B. Milnes.....	25 00
Geo. T. Milnes.....	25 00
Jno. Milnes.....	25 00
A friend, per S. G. Morsell.	25 00
Rev. J. H. Boteler.....	10 00
Rev. Geo. T. Tyler.....	10 00
Mr. Barker	5 00
Rev. Mr. Wheeler.....	5 00
Rev. Dr. A. G. Haygood.....	5 00
Bishop E. M. Marvin.....	5 00
Rev. Nelson Head, D. D.....	5 00
Rev. Geo. B. Allen.....	5 00
Rev. David Thomas.....	5 00
Rev. Dr. A. T. Bledsoe.....	5 00
Rev. T. Miller.....	5 00
Rev. H. W. Kinser.....	5 00
A Friend.....	5 00
G. T. Dearing.....	5 00
J. T. Logan.....	5 00
Rev. Jas. E. Armstrong.	5 00
Cash.....	93 00
Ida Casey.....	1 00
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	\$659 00

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RECAPITULATION AND BALANCE.

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To cash on hand March '75.	\$1,821 35	By am't appropriated in—	
To am't received from—		Baltimore District.....	\$100 00
Baltimore District.....	1,116 98	E. Baltimore ".....	800 00
E. Baltimore ".....	1,366 17	Washington ".....	250 00
Washington ".....	1,633 50	Winchester ".....	725 00
Winchester ".....	673 66	Rockingham ".....	300 00
Rockingham ".....	650 42	Roanoke ".....	550 00
Roanoke ".....	420 67	Lewisburg ".....	450 00
Lewisburg ".....	343 65	Lexington ".....	700 00
Lexington ".....	252 70	Moorefield ".....	350 00
Moorefield ".....	510 56	German Mission.....	1,000 00
Special collection at Wash-		To King Brothers, printing	
ington, D. C., March, '75.	659 00	Missionary Address... ..	50 00
From Mrs. J. Williams'		To Expressage of Miss'y	
Sabbath School class at		Address to P. Elders.....	1 80
Fincastle, for Foreign Mis-		To Printing Envelopes and	
sions.....	7 50	Drafts.....	5 40
		Special appropria'n to Sam'l	
		Ruston, Colored Local	
		Preacher.....	25 00
		Special appropriation to H.	
		F. Watts.....	50 00
		To Dr. A. H. Redford, Treas.	
		Foreign Missions.. ..	3,574 13
		Balance on hand.....	524 83
	\$9 456 16		\$9,456 16

*Extra amounts paid, which did not come into the hands
of the Treasurer, viz :*

By T. J. Magruder and Wm. Milnes, for expenses of Rev. Wm. Harris	
to Montana Mission.....	\$250 00
By Trinity Church in Baltimore, for Missions.	900 00
By St. Paul's Church in Baltimore to Mrs. Lambuth.....	56 00
By St. Paul's Church in Baltimore to Rev. ——— Ransom, in gold....	25 00
By Central Church in Baltimore to Mrs. Lambuth, to educate child	
in China.....	50 00

The treasurer respectfully insists that the preachers in charge, will exchange their small currency into large notes before coming to Conference; also that every preacher will, without fail, report his receipts to the same, not later than the second day of Conference session, and in no case, pay missionary money received to any one save through the same officer. By strictly adhering to the above, you will greatly relieve the treasurer.

ASSESSMENTS AND PAYMENTS BY DISTRICTS.

	DOMESTIC MISSIONS.		FOREIGN MISSIONS.	
	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.
Baltimore District.....	\$945 00	\$611 08	\$755 00	\$505 90
E. Baltimore "	945 00	766 60	755 00	599 57
Washington "	1,000 00	833 45	800 00	800 05
Winchester "	638 00	368 23	518 00	305 43
Rockingham "	550 00	350 75	450 00	299 67
Roanoke "	390 00	216 82	310 00	203 85
Lewisburg "	335 00	185 75	265 00	157 90
Lexington "	265 00	117 95	335 00	134 75
Moorefield "	390 00	255 55	310 00	255 01
	\$5,458 00	\$3,706 18	\$4,498 00	\$3,262 13

COMPARATIVE RECEIPTS FOR 1875 and 1876.

		1875.	Domestic & Foreign 1876.	Increase.	Decrease
Received from	Baltimore District..	\$971 21	\$1,116 98	\$145 77	
"	" E. Baltimore " ..	1,360 88	1,366 17	5 29	
"	" Washington " ..	1,232 05	1,633 50	401 45	
"	" Winchester " ..	629 23	673 66	44 43	
"	" Rockingham " ..	445 90	650 42	204 52	
"	" Roanoke " ..	431 60	420 67	.....	\$10 93
"	" Lewisburg " ..	283 15	343 65	60 50	
"	" Lexington " ..	285 75	252 70	.....	33 05
"	" Moorefield " ..	325 66	510 56	184 90	
		\$5,965 43	\$6,968 31	\$1,046 86	\$43 98
Received from special collection at anniversary					
Washington, D. C., 1875			659 00		
Received from S. School class at Fincastle....			7 50		
Total Receipts for 1876.....			\$7,634 81		

APPROPRIATIONS

*Ordered by the Board for Domestic Missions for Conference
year 1876-7, subject to revision.*

<i>Baltimore District.</i>		
Baltimore Circuit.....	\$100 00	
Linden.....	500 00	
Darnstown.....	200 00	
Montgomery.....	200 00	
		\$1,000 00
<i>East Baltimore District.</i>		
East Baltimore.....	\$200 00	
East Harford.....	100 00	
Talbot Circuit.....	200 00	
Hillsboro.....	200 00	
Kent.....	100 00	
Calvert.....	200 00	
		1,000 00
<i>Washington District.</i>		
Fauquier.....	\$200 00	
		200 00
<i>Winchester District.</i>		
Cedarville.....	\$100 00	
Frederick.....	200 00	
Berryville.....	100 00	
Bethel.....	100 00	
Morgan.....	100 00	
Shenandoah.....	100 00	
Wardensville.....	100 00	
		800 00
<i>Rockingham District.</i>		
Mt. Sidney.....	\$100 00	
Rockingham.....	150 00	
Furnace No. 2.....	150 00	
Strasburg.....	200 00	
Port Republic.....	250 00	
		850 00
Roanoke District.....	\$300 00	
Christiansburg.....	300 00	
New Castle.....	50 00	
Catawba.....	200 00	
Layfayette.....	100 00	
		950 00
Lewisburg District.....	\$350 00	
White Sulphur.....	100 00	
Edray.....	50 00	
Summers.....	200 00	
		700 00
Lexington District.....	\$200 00	
W. Augusta.....	200 00	
Green Valley.....	200 00	
Circleville.....	100 00	
		700 00
<i>Moorefield District.</i>		
Petersburg.....	\$100 00	
Franklin.....	150 00	
Hardy.....	200 00	
		450 00
German Mission in Baltimore.....		500 00
		\$7,150 00.

ASSESSED TO DISTRICTS FOR 1876-7.

	Domestic Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Total.
Baltimore District.....	\$1,166 00	\$891 00	\$2,057 00
E. Baltimore ".....	1,166 00	891 00	2,057 00
Washington ".....	1,235 00	943 00	2,178 00
Winchester ".....	808 00	644 00	1,452 00
Rockingham ".....	686 00	524 00	1,210 00
Roanoke ".....	572 00	436 00	1,008 00
Lewisburg ".....	490 00	374 00	864 00
Lexington ".....	490 00	374 00	864 00
Moorefield ".....	572 00	436 00	1,008 00
	\$7,185 00	\$5,513 00	\$12,698 00

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GENERAL STATISTICS.

DISTRICTS.	Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.		BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
		White.	Colored.	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCHES.		PARSONAGES.		No. of Sch's	Superin'ts.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Volumes.	Expenses.	
						No.	Value.	No.	Value.								
BALTIMORE																	
Baltimore.—Central.....	3	150	....	6	....	1	\$17,500	....	\$	1	2	17	140	4	503	\$121 00
St. Paul's.....	..	378	....	10	4	1	40,000	....	.....	1	2	42	316	56	1428	57 44
Emmanuel.....	..	197	....	15	4	1	5,000	....	.....	1	2	21	176	2	375	288 49
Frederick Avenue.....	1	70	....	34	....	..	....	....	....	1	2	13	115	....	300	70 00
Calvary.....	2	230	....	25	10	1	12,000	....	....	1	1	30	205	15	150	400 00
Baltimore Circuit.....	..	342	....	9	....	4	9,700	....	.....	8	8	54	350	25	1400	130 00
Arlington and Pikesville.....	1	80	....	28	2	1	5,000	....	.....	1	1	7	60	....	130	47 00
Frederick City.....	..	145	....	21	....	1	14,000	....	.....	1	1	16	114	2	350	56 00
Linganore Circuit.....	1	203	....	16	3	3	6,000	....	.....	5	5	72	232	12	785	88 95
Rockville Circuit.....	2	456	2	19	9	4	12,500	1	4,000	8	8	64	312	24	1100	147 00	
Montgomery Circuit.....	1	218	....	14	2	4	6,000	....	.....	6	6	50	319	14	945	132 50
Howard Circuit.....	1	100	....	12	....	1	1,500	....	.....	2	2	22	125	....	350	.....
Beltville Circuit.....	..	150	....	8	....	4	7,000	....	.....	4	4	15	130	....	450	50 00
Laurel Circuit.....	2	295	....	20	3	5	8,000	....	.....	6	6	40	250	30	800	110 00
South River Circuit.....	..	134	....	30	....	3	3,500	....	.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bladensburg Circuit.....	..	62	....	15	1	1	2,500	1	800	1	1	6	34	....	190	6 00
Emory.....	..	50	....	15	2	1	7,000	....	.....	1	1	5	46	....	240	93 15
German Mission.....	2	68	....	26	....	..	....	....	....	3	3	18	322	....	550	146 00
Marlboro Circuit.....	..	101	....	14	2	3	2,500	....	.....	3	3	16	76	....	75	32 19
		16	3429	2	337	42	39	\$159,700	2	\$4,800	54	58	505	3322	184	10121	\$1,975 72

GENERAL STATISTICS.—Continued.

DISTRICTS.	Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.		BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
		White.	Colored.	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCHES.		PARSONAGES		No. of Sch's	Superin'ts.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Volumes.	Expenses.	
						No.	Value.	No.	Value.								
EAST BALTIMORE.																	
Baltimore.—Trinity.....	1	353	....	8	2	1	\$40,000	1	\$8,000	1	2	31	325	17	900	\$650 00
East Baltimore.....	..	105	....	13	2	1	16,000	....	....	1	1	8	51	3	255	42 00
North Baltimore.....	1	174	....	19	5	1	4,000	....	....	1	1	12	130	10	360	163 58
Taylor Circuit.....	1	140	....	9	....	4	11,800	....	....	4	4	18	115	2	600	10 00
West Harford Circuit.....	..	47	....	4	....	2	3,700	....	....	2	2	13	68	....	408	15 00
East Harford Circuit.....	..	70	....	....	....	2	5,500	....	....	2	2	15	85	....	300	15 00
Talbot Circuit.....	2	289	....	13	10	7	15,500	....	....	6	6	30	170	4	665	10 35
Trappe.....	..	52	....	6	1	1	4,000	....	....	1	1	6	41	4	170	113 17
Kent Circuit.....	..	113	....	30	2	2	1,500	....	....	2	2	9	125	4	600	25 00
Queen Anne's Circuit.....	1	390	....	23	1	7	21,000	1	2,600	8	8	60	300	20	1300	186 00
Severn Circuit.....	..	98	....	7	6	3	2,500	....	....	3	3	10	90	9	240	12 00
West River Circuit.....	1	230	....	14	....	4	5,500	1	2,500	4	8	25	225	10	1200	60 00
Calvert Circuit.....	2	183	....	46	7	5	8,000	....	....	5	5	31	250	9	500	75 00
Prince George's.....	2	361	....	37	1	6	3,500	....	....	6	6	24	204	2	388	30 80
Charles and St. Mary's.....	..	235	....	26	1	1	1,000	....	....	2	2	13	79	....	275	19 50
	12	2840		255	38	47	\$143,500	8	\$12,500	48	54	305	2258	94	8161	\$1,427 40	

WASHINGTON.														
Mount Vernon Place.....	1	284	34	5	1	\$65,000	1	1	33	345	8	732	\$419 55	
Alexandria.....	1	462	1	39	11	10,600	1	2	60	536	26	711	202 84	
Fairfax Circuit.....	2	400	2	10	7	7,600	9	9	52	300	25	1000	40 00	
Falls Church Circuit.....	1	168	4	1	2	5,000	1	3	28	169	6	683	22 53	
Farmwell Circuit.....	1	142	1	2	24	500	5	6	16	135	...	500	45 09	
Leesburg	2	246	14	7	24	10,000	1	2	21	178	48	350	60 00	
Potomac Mission.....	2	279	4	2	2,000	1	1,500	2	2	26	135	750	65 00	
Hamilton and Grove.....	2	310	1	28	4	4,000	1	1,000	6	6	46	722	46 67	
Hillsboro Circuit.....	2	540	10	67	6	15,000	1	1,000	7	8	50	1200	80 00	
Loudoun Circuit.....	2	276	1	16	5	6,000	1	1,500	3	3	30	500	20 00	
Piedmont Circuit	1	255	1	4	3	7,000	1	3,000	3	3	12	425	75 00	
Warrenton	1	308	17	14	13	4,200	1	500	9	9	60	455	50 00	
Linden Circuit	1	389	20	30	6	5,600	6	6	50	255	20	782	75 00	
Fauquier Circuit	1	187	3	6	10	3,000	3	3	15	80	3	300	7 00	
Prince William Circuit.....	1	425	1	3	60	3,000	6	6	35	250	19	250	45 00	
Stafford Circuit.....	1	201	2	2	2	7,000	1	2,000	1	2	34	385	109 38	
Fredericksburg.....	15	4872	41	156	303	51	\$155,500	9	\$16,000	67	71	568	9742	\$1,362 97
WINCHESTER.														
Winchester Station.....	1	504	19	7	1	4,500	1	2	35	393	9	1103	180 00	
Winchester Circuit.....	2	608	1	2	28	9,500	1	1,800	9	16	111	2205	89 56	
Strasburg Circuit.....	1	100	3	17	1	2,000	1	2	6	49	5	129	20 00	
Frederick Mission.....	3	140	1	1	1	1,000	1	1	14	120	2	340	18 41	
Front Royal and Riverton	1	167	1	1	36	2,500	3	3	18	194	...	183	36 00	
Warren Circuit.....	1	156	8	13	2	2,000	1	1,800	5	5	38	770	23 70	
Berryville Mission.....	1	323	16	16	2	5,000	1	1,000	4	4	27	280	59 00	
Brucetown Circuit.....	1	135	17	1	1	4,000	1	3,000	1	2	20	400	50 00	
Martinsburg	1	151	6	2	2	6,000	1	1,200	3	3	30	500	54 00	
Berkeley Circuit.....	1	202	9	6	1	4,500	1	3,000	1	1	13	300	30 00	
Charlestown	1	292	41	22	3	7,500	1	2,000	4	6	43	400	123 67	
Shepherdstown.....	1	313	2	10	11	3,000	1	1,000	6	6	28	800	75 00	
Gainsboro Circuit.....	1	214	1	2	12	2,000	4	5	23	153	...	360	10 00	
Wardensville Circuit.....	1	85	42	3	2	900	5	6	22	119	8	540	20 00	
Morgan Mission.....	1	86	20	30	1	500	3	3	9	90	9	100	10 00	
Shenandoah Mission.....	1	150	9	45	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jefferson	10	3706	5	205	249	33	\$54,900	8	\$14,800	53	67	457	8697	\$808 57

GENERAL STATISTICS—Continued.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT.	Local Preachers	MEMBERS.		BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						
		White.	Colored.	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCHES.		PARSONAGES.		No. of Schls.	Superin'ts.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Volumes.	Expenses.
						No.	Value.	No.	Value.							
Staunton.....	..	373	....	6	30	1	\$10,000	*2	\$10,500	3	4	51	457	60	500	\$124 53
Harrisonburg.....	..	270	1	5	....	1	4,000	1	2,150	1	1	20	209	....	225	75 00
Shenandoah Iron Works.....	1	75	3	1	19	1	7,000	1	4,000	1	1	8	50	16	200	15 00
Mount Sidney Circuit.....	2	185	....	...	10	2	2,000	1	500	5	5	38	224	....	475	31 00
Churchville Circuit.....	..	246	....	....	26	4	3,000	1	800	5	5	35	200	12	400	20 00
Bridgewater Circuit.....	1	310	....	...	75	3	4,500	....	....	3	4	35	280	41	475	50 00
Bangersville Mission.....	1	151	....	22	9	2	1,600	....	....	5	5	40	250	15	350	30 00
Rockingham Mission.....	2	239	...	3	37	2	2,500	....	....	5	8	39	274	30	489	20 00
East Rockingham Circuit.....	1	305	1	6	120	1	2,000	1	1,500	5	7	50	350	40	350	75 00
Port Republic Circuit.....	..	154	....	....	36	2	2,251	1	500	2	2	13	100	....	45	25 00
Elk Run Mission.....	2	143	....	6	....	2	500	....	....	4	4	22	198	....	90	4 00
Furnace No. 2 Mission.....	..	60	....	8	1	1	600	1	600	1	1	10	100	....	75	5 00
New Market Circuit.....	..	137	3	3	10	1	2,500	1	650	2	3	34	155	10	345	70 45
Woodstock Circuit.....	1	286	2	2	13	3	10,000	1	800	4	4	40	255	....	1150	51 00
Luray Circuit.....	4	336	....	...	37	5	3,300	....	....	4	4	31	218	51	413	13 80
		15,3270	10	62	423	31	\$55,750	11	\$22,000	50	58	466	3320	275	5582	\$609 78

*1 District.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

ROANOKE DISTRICT.															
Salem	216	15	4	1	\$3,500	*2	3,500	1	1	20	140	304	\$75	00	
Roanoke Circuit.....	3 343	2	82	4	5,500	1	1,500	4	4	34	320	35	500	80 00	
Blacksburg..	180	8	1	2	8,000	1	1,200	2	2	25	170	1	677	125 00	
Christiansburg Mission.....	96			1	4,000	1	1,700	1	1	13	86		125	60 00	
Fincastle Circuit.....	470	3	67	6	6,800	1	1,000	6	9	33	307		493	43 02	
Lexington Circuit.....	189	5	30	2	4 000	1	1,200	2	2	18	120	26		12 00	
James River Circuit.....	184	14	22	1	1,500			4	4	32	215	11		55 10	
New Castle Mission.....	131	2	11	25	2,000										
Catawba Circuit.....	1 90							2	2	16	75			5 00	
Sinking Creek Circuit....	2 183	1	4	3	3,000	1	500	4	4	21	154	1	100	8 00	
LaFayette Mission.....	181	13	5	4	3,000			4	4	26	260	3	250		
	6 2263	4	70	240	26	\$41,300	8	\$10,600	30	33	238	1847	77	2449	\$463 12
LEWISBURG DISTRICT.															
Lewisburg.....	1 245	4	16	1	3,500	*2	3,000	3	3	30	210	17	203	14 25	
Frankford....	1 296	8	6	1	1,200	1	750	7	7	45	310	13	365	11 90	
White Sulphur Station.....	1 82	4	24	1	6,000			3	2	8	65	21	193	11 00	
White Sulphur Circuit.....	1 80			3	850			3	3	12	70		175		
Blue Sulphur.....	1 280		25	3	2,000			6	6	36	256	15	250	55 00	
Levelton Station.....	123	5	8	1	2,000	1	600	2	2	12	110	16	207	32 15	
Edray Mission.....	2 110	2	4	1	300			5	5	20	150	10	400	40 00	
Greenbank Circuit.....	252	3	16	2	3,000	1	750	5	7	27	157	30	200	10 00	
Centreville Circuit.....	1 320	12	17	3	2,700	1	1,500	3	5	15	170	70	75	14 00	
Union Circuit.....	100	10	4	2	2,000	1	1,400	2	2	16	80	5	150	34 00	
Peterstown Circuit.....	122		2	1	350			2	2	7	58				
Summers Circuit.....	1 120	2	1	8	600			1	2	7	35			4 50	
Hillsdale Mission.....	1 129		3					4	4	21	110	4			
	10 2259	4	47	133	21	\$24,500	7	\$8,000	46	50	2 6	1781	201	2218	\$226 80

*1 District.

GENERAL STATISTICS—Concluded.

DISTRICTS.	Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.		BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
		White.	Colored.	Infants.	Adults.	CHURCHES.		PARSONAGES		No. of Schls.	Superin'ts.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Volumes.	Expenses.	
						No.	Value.	No.	Value.								
LEXINGTON.																	
Lexington Station.		186	...	20	14	1	\$7,000	...	...	1	2	24	157	25	861	\$75 62
Collierstown Mission.....		170	4	1	15	3	3,450	1	800	3	3	18	140	...	400	20 00	
Fairfield Mission.....		314	...	5	9	6	6,300	...	...	5	5	25	192	...	414	16 00
Augusta Circuit.....		248	...	7	28	4	6,400	1	700	4	4	55	296	32	400	82 24	
West Augusta Mission.....		126	2	20	15	2	1,000	1	800	4	4	12	100	10	50	10 00	
Upper Botetourt Circuit.....	2	173	...	2	24	2	3,000	1	400	2	2	10	60	...	150	.....
Covington Circuit.....	2	165	...	2	1	5	6,000	1	1,500	3	3	17	130	...	300	.....
Alleghany Circuit.....	1	100	...	1	2	1	400	...	...	3	2	25	135	2	.....	9 76
Monterey Circuit.....		300	6	6	14	5	5,000	1	1,000	5	5	25	150	13	350	10 00	
Crab Bottom Circuit.....	1	120	3	37	1	...	...	1	400	3	5	15	96	...	50	.....
Highland Circuit.....		108	3	12	8	...	...	...	...	3	3	15	75	...	...	5 00
Bath Circuit.....		126	...	8	2	...	...	1	400	4	4	12	80	3	.....	.....
Green Valley Mission.....		54	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
		6 2190	1	121	140	29	\$38,550	8	\$6,000	40	42	253	1611	85	2975	\$228 62	

MOOREFIELD.															
Moorefield.....	199	1	4	41	1	\$6,600	1	\$3,000	1	2	12	80	26	250	\$34 70
Petersburg Mission.....	82		2		1	1,200									
Franklin Mission.....	223	2	20	5	2	2,500	1	700	7	9	43	269	9	483	26 75
Keyser City.....	83		20		2	1,000			3	3	30	163	2	360	110 90
South Branch Circuit.....	293	1	2	36	5	7,300	1	2,000	5	5	26	127	15	470	4 40
Springfield Circuit.....	190		12	8	5	6,000	1	1,200	6	6	25	210	7	820	50 75
North River Circuit.....	162	1		14	3	1,100			2	2	16	64		175	5 50
Hardy Mission.....	81		20	4	1	300			6	6	24	164	4	350	12 23
Piedmont Station.....	159		17		1	7,500			1	2	22	200			74 17
Frostburg.....	60		20		2	3,500			3	1	14	167	4	280	20 09
Lis'onville.....	91			8	2	5,000			3	5	16	105	8	230	19 17
Cumberland.....	84		22	7					2	2	17	89		333	54 60
Flintstone Circuit.....	143		30	2	3	4,300	1	1,200	2	2	21	163	2	210	9 75
Rainsburg.....	57			7	1	600									
South Fork Mission..	29		9	3					1	1	6	30	7		
	10 1936	5	178	135	29	\$46,900	5	\$8,100	42	46	272	1831	84	3961	\$461 01

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

DISTRICTS.	Local Preachers.	MEMBERS.		BAPTISMS.		PROPERTY.				SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						
		White.	Colored.	Infants.	Adults.	Churches.	Value.	Parsonages.	Value.	No. of Schools.	Superintendents.	Teachers.	Scholars.	Conversions.	Volumes.	Expenses.
Baltimore.....	16	3429	2	337	42	39	\$159,700	2	\$4,800	54	58	508	3322	184	10121	\$1,975 72
E Baltimore....	12	2840	.....	255	38	47	143,500	3	12,500	48	54	305	2258	94	8161	1,427 40
Washington.....	15	4872	41	156	303	51	155,500	9	16,000	67	71	568	3784	210	9742	1,362 97
Winchester.....	10	3706	5	205	249	33	54,900	8	14,800	53	67	457	3247	77	8697	808 57
Rockingham....	15	3270	10	62	423	31	55,750	11	22,000	50	58	466	3320	275	5582	609 78
Roanoke.....	6	2263	4	70	240	26	41,300	8	10,600	30	33	238	1847	77	2449	463 12
Lewisburg	10	2259	4	47	133	21	24,500	7	8,000	46	50	256	1781	201	2218	226 80
Lexington.....	6	2190	18	121	140	29	38,550	8	6,000	40	42	253	1611	85	2975	228 62
Moorefield	10	1936	5	178	135	29	46,900	5	8,100	42	46	272	1831	84	3961	461 01
This year...	110	26765	89	1431	1703	306	\$720,600	61	\$102,800	439	479	3323	23001	1287	53906	\$7,563 99
Last year...	103	25165	89	1532	1272	313	748,670	59	99,290	407	486	3113	21417	1089	54617	8,493 61
Increase.....	7	1600			431			2	\$3,510	23		210	1584	178		
Decrease.....				101		7	*\$28,070				7				711	\$929 62

* The apparent decrease is owing to the fact, that in last year's estimate, UNION Churches were included, in which we had a partial interest; this year only such Churches are included as are our exclusive property.

NOTE—The statistics of last year (1875) presented a decrease in churches of 11
In like manner this year there is a decrease of..... 7

Total decrease of churches in two years.....18

These reports each year have been surprising to us. The Conference directed the Secretary to call attention to these discrepancies, and to state that within the two years past a number of new church buildings have been erected, and that no instance has been brought to our view of the loss of such number of our churches by litigation or otherwise.

Without accounting for the loss of 11 churches the previous year—by comparing the statistical report of 1875 with that of 1876, we see a decrease of 7 churches.

These are found distributed to the several Districts as follows:

	Reported in 1876.	1875.	Decrease.
Baltimore District.....	39.....	40.....	1
East Baltimore District.....	47.....	49.....	2
Washington ".....	51.....	54.....	3
Winchester ".....	33.....	35.....	2
Rockingham ".....	31.....	32.....	1
Lexington ".....	29.....	30.....	1
Moorefield ".....	29.....	30.....	1
			—
			11
			Increase,
Roanoke.....	26.....	24.....	2.....
Lewisburg.....	21.....	19.....	2.....
			—
			4
			—
Net decrease			7

Preachers can determine to what particular charges these variations apply by comparing the reports of each charge for 1875 and 1876.

Whatever may have been the cause of this incorrectness of the report of the number of our churches in the last two years, it is the desire of the Conference that it be avoided in the future.

By order of Conference,

J. S. MARTIN, *Secretary.*

Comparative Statistics of the Baltimore Conference of the years since its connection with the M. E. Church, South.

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Year.	WHERE CONFERENCE WAS HELD.	Local Preachers.	Traveling Preachers.	White Members.	Colored Members.	Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.	CONTRIBUTIONS.		
									Bishops' Fund.	Superan'd Fund.	For Missions.
1866	Alexandria, Va.	57	108	11,189	627	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$295 49	.....
1867	Trinity Church, Baltimore	77	142	16,417	515	219	2,084	12,194	.....	1,025 00	451 12
1868	Central Church, Baltimore.....	102	155	19,369	254	287	2,766	15,563	962 05	2,150 00	3,814 00
1869	Trinity Church, Baltimore.....	107	162	21,041	176	316	2,967	16,983	1,420 00	2,950 00	4,168 99
1870	St. Paul's, Baltimore.....	104	169	21,616	132	350	3,271	17,985	1,137 37	2,496 00	4,438 77
1871	Salem, Virginia	104	176	22,196	69	354	3,260	17,962	1,269 00	2,592 97	4,158 36
1872	Warrenton, Virginia.....	102	170	23,095	103	383	3,474	19,291	1,236 00	3,015 00	4,530 57
1873	Trinity Church, Baltimore.....	100	181	23,451	63	394	3,568	19,677	1,531 75	3,975 00	4,302 03
1874	Staunton, Virginia.....	105	186	24,132	76	377	3,436	20,179	1,456 25	4,100 00	5,195 00
1875	Mt. Vernon Place, Washington, D. C. ...	103	189	25,165	89	407	3,599	21,417	1,412 00	4,550 00	5,965 43
1876	Winchester.....	110	197	26,765	89	430	3,802	23,001	1,420 00	5,100 00	7,634 81

GENERAL STATISTICS.

	Local Preachers.	Traveling Preachers.	White Members.	Colored Members.		Sunday Schools.	Teachers.	Scholars.
Comparative Statement of year 1866.....	57	108	11,189	627	Year 1867.....	219	2,084	12,194
with year 1876.....	110	197	26,765	89	Year 1876.....	430	3,802	23,001
Increase in 10 years.....	53	89	15,576		Increase.....	211	1,718	10,807
Decrease.....				538				

INCREASE OF WORK IN MARYLAND.

	1866	1876	Increase.
Number of Local Preachers.....	2.....	28.....	26
Number of effective Traveling Preachers.....	11.....	51.....	40
Number of Pastoral Charges Occupied.....	14.....	40.....	26
Number of Members in Maryland.....	610.....	6,553.....	5,943
Number of Members reported in Baltimore.....	100.....	1,725.....	1,625
Church Edifices held by M. E. Church, South, in Md.	7.....	93.....	86
Church Edifices in Balto. owned by M. E. C., South.	.....	8.....	8

INCREASE OF WORK IN VIRGINIA.

	1866	1876	Increase.
Number of Local Preachers.....	54.....	81.....	27
Number of effective Traveling Preachers.....	71.....	129.....	58
Number of Pastoral Charges.....	59.....	98.....	39
Total Members in Virginia.....	10,579.....	20,802.....	9,613

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FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—YEAR ENDING MARCH, 1876.

BALTIMORE DISTRICT. (E. F. Busey, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTE- RIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses							
	Assessed.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
Central, Jno. A. Kern.....	\$1,350 00	\$1,350 00					\$180 00	\$180 00	\$1,530 00	\$1,530 00		\$10 00
St. Paul's, S. K. Cox.....	1,500 00	1,500 00	\$450 00	\$450 00			180 00	180 00	2,130 00	2,130 00		5 63
Emmanuel, Jno. Hannon.....	1,000 00	850 00					180 00	154 00	1,180 00	1,004 00	\$176 00	5 09
Frederick Ave., B. S. Highly..	600 00	600 00					65 00	65 00	665 00	665 00		9 36
Calvary, H. H. Kennedy.....	1,200 00	1,200 00	400 00	400 00			130 00	130 00	1,730 00	1,730 00		7 45
Balto. Cir. { Jno. Landstreet..	675 00	528 16	120 00	120 00	\$50 85	\$40 00	150 00	117 37	1,170 85	942 50	228 35	2 75
{ J. P. Etchison...	175 00	136 97										
Arlington & P., G. G. Brooke.	620 00	620 00	180 00	180 00	3 20	3 20	75 00	75 00	878 20	878 20		10 84
Frederick City, G. T. Tyler...	900 00	900 00					80 00	80 00	980 00	980 00		6 76
Linganore Cir., D. Bush.....	568 00	568 00	41 00	41 00			105 00	105 00	714 00	714 00		3 50
Rockville Cir. { Jno. C. Dice.	900 00	911 50	Par.		35 00	35 00	170 00	170 00	1,405 00	1,416 50	overpaid	3 09
{ C. M. Brown.	300 00	300 00										
Montg'y Cir. { W. A. Wade...	700 00	552 65	100 00	78 95	76 50		105 00	82 90	1,131 50	822 92	308 58	3 75
{ L. L. Lloyd...	150 00	108 42										
Howard Cir., J. C. Sedwick...	500 00	290 40					100 00	58 10	600 00	348 50	251 50	3 45
Beltsville, W. A. McDonald...	650 00	428 36	150 00	150 00			105 00	75 92	905 00	654 28	250 72	4 36
Laurel Cir. { I. W. Canter....	650 00	650 00			21 70	21 70	110 00	110 00	921 70	921 70		3 10
{ J. H. Wiley.....	140 00	140 00										
South River Cir., R. Smith....	600 00	557 50	100 00	100 00			90 00	84 50	790 00	742 00	48 00	5 53
Bladensburg Cir., J. W. Ewan.	862 50	683 19	Par.				40 00	35 00	902 50	718 19	184 31	11 58
Marlboro Cir., W. R. McNeer	400 00	450 00					40 00	40 00	440 00	490 00	overpaid	4 85
Emory Sta., W. E. Miller....	430 00	412 83			5 25	5 25	70 00	62 00	505 25	480 08	25 17	9 60
German Mission.....							25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00		36
	\$14,870 50	\$13,737 98	\$1541 00	\$1519 95	\$192 50	\$105 15	\$2,000 00	\$1,829 79	\$18,604 00	\$17,192 87	\$1472 63	\$4 99

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

EAST BALTIMORE DISTRICT. (D. Ball, P. E)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		Assessed	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.						
Trinity, W. W. Walker.....	\$2,500 00	\$2,500 00	Par.				\$417 00	\$417 00	\$2,917 00	\$2,917 00		\$8 24
E. Baltimore, L. W. Haslup..	600 00	600 00					100 00	100 00	700 00	700 00		6 66
N. Balto., S. W. Haddaway...	900 00	824 00					110 00	94 00	1,010 00	918 00	92 00	5 24
Taylor Cir., Thos. W. Brown.	800 00	553 11					130 00	90 00	930 00	643 11	286 89	4 56
W. Harford Cir., E. Welty....	300 00	153 31			15 00		50 00	35 00	365 00	188 31	176 69	4 00
E. Harford Cir., F. C. Tebbs..	516 00	280 00	76 00	76 00	35 00		60 00	33 00	687 00	389 00	298 00	5 55
Talbot, { R. Smithson....	1,000 00	733 00	225 00	225 00			140 00	120 00	1,565 00	1,172 36	392 64	4 02
{ C. M. Haddaway...	200 00	94 36										
Trappe Sta., B. W. Bond.....	400 00	400 00			5 50	5 50	80 00	80 00	485 50	485 50		9 33
Kent Cir., C. L. Torreyson....	600 00	524 62	100 00				100 00	87 43	800 00	612 05	187 95	5 41
Queen Anne, { W. W. Watts..	750 00	750 00	Par.		38 00	38 00	180 00	180 00	1,093 00	1,093 00		2 79
{	125 00	125 00										
Severn Cir., J. W. Steele.....	350 00	234 00					65 00	50 00	415 00	284 00	131 00	2 89
W. River, { E. H. Henry.....	750 00	720 00	Par.				155 00	144 00	1,055 00	1,007 00	48 00	4 31
{ R. M. Williams..	150 00	143 00										
Calvert, { G. W. Lightner....	500 00	334 50					155 00	103 69	805 00	538 54	266 46	2 89
{ Wm. Bryan.	150 00	100 35										
Prince Geo., { W. H. Seat....	750 00	675 99					155 00	140 44	1,055 00	952 34	102 66	2 62
{ A. M. Cackley.	150 00	135 91										
Charles Cir, H. W. Kinzer...	600 00	562 66					109 00	102 20	709 00	664 86	44 14	2 74
	\$12,091 00	\$10,443 81	\$401 00	\$301 00	\$93 50	\$43 50	\$2,006 00	\$1,776 76	\$14,591 50	\$12,565 07	\$2026 43	\$4 40

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

WASHINGTON DISTRICT. (Nelson Head, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses							
	Assessed.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
Wash. City, { A. W. Wilson.	\$2,200 00	\$2,200 00	\$600 00	\$600 00	.....	.....	\$180 00	\$180 00	\$3,580 00	\$3,580 00	.....	\$12 60
Mt. Vernon Pl., { E. E. Hoss...	600 00	600 00			.....	.....					.....
Alexandria, J. H. Waugh	1,450 00	1,450 00	Par		.....	.....	190 80	190 80	1,640 80	1,640 80	.....	3 54
Fairfax, { C. A. Joyce.....	755 00	687 58	125 00	125 00	.....	.....	95 00	87 73	1,175 00	1,100 31	74 69	2 71
{ J. W. Shoaff.....	200 00	200 00			.....	.....				
Falls Church, W. G. Hammond.	700 00	658 78	Par.		25 00	25 00	70 00	65 87	795 00	749 65	45 35	4 43
Farmwell, O. C. Beall.....	300 00	300 00			.....	.....	50 00	50 00	350 00	350 00	.....	2 44
Leesburg, J. S. Gardner.....	850 00	850 00	180 00	180 00	35 00	35 00	100 00	100 00	1,165 00	1,165 00	.....	4 69
Potomac Miss., Jno. P. Hall...												
Hamilton { L. H. Crenshaw..	800 00	800 00	Par.		21 50	21 50	84 60	84 60	906 10	906 10	.....	3 22
and Grove, { L. R. Jones.....	700 00	631 97	Par.		43 50	43 50	95 00	85 77	1,013 50	919 23	94 27	2 94
Hillsboro, { J. H. Boyd.....	175 00	157 99			.....	.....				
{ T. E. Carson	1,000 00	957 15	Par.		25 00	25 00	220 00	206 14	1,520 00	1,439 39	80 71	2 65
Loudoun, { R. A. McElhiney .	275 00	251 00			.....	.....				
Piedmont Ct., C. G. Linthicum	600 00	526 99	Par.		.....	.....	100 00	92 16	700 00	619 15	80 85	2 24
Warrenton, J. Higgins	800 00	733 60			.....	.....	100 00	91 70	900 00	825 30	74 70	3 22
Linden, L. H. Baldwin.....	550 00	550 00	Par.		50 00	50 00	55 00	55 00	655 00	655 00	.....	2 12
Fauquier, { H. A. Gaver.....	600 00	436 55	84 00	55 30	.....	.....	75 00	54 50	909 00	655 30	253 70	1 68
{ J. Little.....	150 00	108 95			.....	.....				
Prince Wm., J. M. Grandin...	600 00	421 42			.....	.....	48 60	36 25	648 60	457 67	190 93	2 44
Stafford, { S. F. Butt.....	500 00	332 00	60 00		10 00	.....	72 00	48 50	802 00	480 50	321 50	1 13
{ J. T. Smith.....	150 00	100 00			10 00	.....					
Fredericksb'g, R. R. S. Hough.	1,000 00	1,000 00	Par.		15 00	15 00	115 00	115 00	1,130 00	1,130 00	.....	5 62
	\$14,955 00	\$13,953 98	\$1049 00	\$960 30	\$235 00	\$215 00	\$1,651 00	\$1,544 02	\$17,890 00	\$16,673 30	\$1216 70	\$3 41

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

WINCHESTER DISTRICT. (Sam'l Regester, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.						
Winchester Sta., S. Rodgers...	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00	\$175 00	\$175 00	\$33 83	\$33 83	.....	\$100 00	\$1,208 83	\$1,308 83	overpaid	\$2 59
Winchester, { W. G. Eggleston	1,000 00	821 21	Par.	.....	.....	.....	200 00	186 14	1,400 00	1,193 94	206 06	1 95
Winchester, { J. H. March...	200 00	186 59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Strausburg Cir., M. G. Balthis.	250 00	233 70	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	25 00	275 00	258 70	16 30	2 58
Frederick Miss., Geo. Stevenson	250 00	164 70	50 00	50 00	25 00	25 00	90 00	59 30	415 00	299 00	116 00	3 69
Ft. Royal & R., J. H. Dulaney.	650 00	650 00	125 00	88 00	.....	.....	100 00	100 00	875 00	838 00	37 00	5 87
Warren Cir., J. A. Regester..	350 00	313 68	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	40 00	390 00	353 68	36 32	2 11
Berryville Miss., A. B. Dolly..	500 00	500 00	24 00	24 00	19 00	19 00	25 00	25 00	568 00	568 00	.....	3 64
Brucetown, { S. Townsend..	700 00	621 71	Par.	.....	.....	.....	125 00	111 56	975 00	867 13	107 87	2 67
Brucetown, { J. F. Baggs....	150 00	133 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Martinsburg Sta., L. C. Miller.	600 00	600 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	100 00	700 00	700 00	.....	5 14
Berkeley Cir., J. W. Wolf....	600 00	430 00	Par.	.....	40 00	40 00	100 00	100 00	740 00	570 00	170 00	3 75
Charlestown, S. G. Ferguson.	700 00	700 00	Par.	.....	5 00	5 00	110 00	110 00	815 00	815 00	.....	4 03
Shepherdstown, A. A. P. Neale	780 00	780 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	150 00	150 00	930 00	930 00	.....	3 18
Gainsboro, { L. G. Martin....	500 00	333 91	Par.	.....	.....	.....	100 00	66 69	650 00	433 60	216 40	1 38
Gainsboro, { Henry A. Wilson.	50 00	33 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wardensville, L. C. Grabill...	460 00	404 37	30 00	30 00	.....	.....	63 00	55 38	553 00	489 75	63 25	2 28
Morgan Miss., W. M. Hiner...	350 00	241 92	30 00	30 00	25 00	25 00	50 00	34 40	455 00	331 32	123 68	3 89
Shenandoah Miss., A. Robey..	550 00	65 00	100 00	.....	25 00	25 00	.....	.....	675 00	90 00	585 00	1 04
Jefferson Cir., J. L. Kibler....	.....	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	80 00	overpaid	53
	\$9,640 00	\$8,288 65	\$534 00	\$397 00	\$172 83	\$172 83	\$1,283 00	\$1,268 47	\$11,629 83	\$10,126 95	\$1,677 88	\$2 72

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

ROCKINGHAM DISTRICT, (David Thomas, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S		TOTAL FOR MINISTE		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		CLAIM.		RIAL SUPPORT.			
	Assessed.	Paid	Ass'd.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid	Assessed.	Paid.		
Staunton, Jno. S. Martin.....	\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00	Par. &	Dis. Par.	.....	.....	\$175 00	\$175 00	\$1,675 00	\$1,675 00	.....	\$4 49
Harrisonburg, S. S. Roszell....	1,000 00	1,025 00	do.	.....	16 50	16 50	165 00	165 00	1,181 50	1,206 50	overpaid	4 46
Shen. Iron Wks., W. C. Maloy	700 00	700 00	do.	.....	90 00	90 00	90 00	90 00	880 00	880 00	.....	11 15
Mt. Sidney Cir., J. H. Temple.	400 00	328 00	do.	.....	.....	.....	80 00	66 00	480 00	394 00	86 00	2 10
Churchville, { G. R. Jefferson.	175 00	64 00	do.	.....	40 00	40 00	80 00	60 00	420 00	226 25	193 75	91
{ G. T. D. Collins	125 00	62 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bridgewater, Gilson Mauzee..	500 00	500 00	75 00	75 00	.....	.....	105 00	105 00	680 00	680 00	.....	2 18
Sangersville, F. Furr.....	285 00	237 73	.....	.....	.....	.....	40 00	35 00	325 00	272 73	52 27	1 79
Rocking'm Mis. { J. T. Maxwell.	450 00	316 00	70 00	70 00	30 00	.....	55 00	50 00	715 00	530 00	185 00	2 29
{ H. Calwell..	100 00	94 00	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
E. Rocking'm Ct, F. A. Strother	500 00	600 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	75 00	75 00	575 00	675 00	overpaid	2 20
Port Republic Ct., G. B. Allen.	370 00	370 00	do.	.....	.....	.....	30 00	30 00	400 00	400 00	.....	2 59
Elk Run Miss., W. B. Dorsey..	100 00	65 65	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 00	25 00	130 00	90 65	39 35	62
Furnace No. 2 Miss., L. Fox..	200 00	200 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	35 00	35 08	235 00	235 08	overpaid	3 91
N. Market Ct., C. L. Dameron.	500 00	451 13	do.	.....	15 66	15 66	60 00	54 12	575 66	520 91	54 75	3 80
Woodstock, W. C. Ross.....	800 00	564 29	do.	.....	.....	.....	115 00	81 05	915 00	645 34	269 66	2 27
Luray Circuit, A. C. Gearhart.	400 00	317 86	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	40 17	450 00	358 03	91 97	1 08
	\$8,105 00	\$7,395 91	\$145 00	\$145 00	\$202 16	\$162 16	\$1,185 00	\$1,086 42	\$9,637 16	\$8,789 49	\$972 75	\$2 69

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

ROANOKE DISTRICT. (Jas. E. Armstrong, P. E)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTE- RIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.						
Salem, Jefferson W. Duffy....	\$700 00	\$700 00	Par. &	Dis. Par.	....	..	\$143 00	\$143 00	\$843 00	\$843 00	.....	\$3 90
Roanoke Circuit, J. J. Engle..	600 00	516 24	do.	.....	.....	.....	114 00	101 12	714 00	617 36	96 64	1 78
Blacksburg, Benj. F. Ball.....	600 00	555 90	do.	.....	40 00	40 00	114 00	105 60	754 00	701 50	52 50	3 89
Christiansb'g Mis.—F.A.Mercer	600 00	254 56	do.	.....	41 00	41 00	114 00	45 21	755 00	340 77	414 23	3 54
Fincastle, { J. M. Follansbee..	735 00	679 93	do.	.....	65 00	.....	143 00	121 43	1,103 00	937 27	165 73	1 99
{ A. E. Bradenbaugh	150 00	135 91	.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lexington Cir., A. P. Boude..	600 00	600 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	120 00	120 00	720 00	720 00	.....	3 80
James River Ct., J. T. Williams	337 00	238 69	.....	.....	.....	.....	91 00	63 47	428 00	302 16	125 84	1 64
Newcastle Mission, Rob't Ross	300 00	172 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	52 00	30 00	352 00	202 00	150 00	1 54
Catawba Mis., J. D. Eddington	135 00	75 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	45 00	25 00	180 00	100 00	80 00	1 09
Sinking Ck., { F. H. Shipley..	415 00	299 00	Par.	.....	.....	15 00	85 00	61 00	500 00	399 00	101 00	2 15
{ B. R. Wilburn..	.....	24 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lafayette Miss., Leonidas Butt	350 00	275 00	72 00	.....	10 45	.....	79 00	62 21	511 45	337 21	174 24	1 86
	\$5,522 00	\$4,526 23	\$72 00		\$166 45	\$96 00	\$1,100 00	\$878 04	\$6,860 45	\$5,500 27	\$1360 18	\$2 42

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED

LEWISBURG DISTRICT, (W. G. Coe, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.						
Lewisburg Sta., P. B. Smith..	\$787 00	\$695 81	Par. &	Dis. Par.	\$13 00	\$13 00	\$135 00	\$117 58	\$935 00	\$826 39	\$108 61	\$3 35
Frank'd, { J. J. Crickenberger.	450 00	375 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	155 00	129 00	705 00	587 00	118 00	1 97
{ H. S. Coe.....	100 00	83 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
White Sulphur, V.W.Wheeler.	350 00	257 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	45 50	415 00	302 75	112 25	3 64
White Sulphur Cir.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	19 30	50 00	19 30	30 70	24
B. Sulphur Cir., W. L. Lynch.	600 00	440 00	66 00	36 00	.....	.....	135 00	100 00	801 00	576 00	225 00	2 04
Levelton, James R. VanHorne	500 00	500 00	Par.	.....	50 00	50 00	150 00	150 00	700 00	700 00	.....	5 69
Edray Miss., John W. Canter.	200 00	90 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	22 60	250 00	113 00	137 00	1 00
Green Bank, H. M. Strickler..	445 00	387 89	Par.	.....	.....	.....	120 00	104 60	565 00	492 49	72 51	1 95
Centreville, John F. Follin....	600 00	369 20	do.	.....	.....	.....	150 00	92 30	750 00	461 50	288 50	1 43
Union, H. C. Pitzer.....	500 00	500 00	do.	.....	.....	.....	100 00	100 00	600 00	600 00	.....	6 00
Peterstown, J. N. Gray.....	200 00	72 27	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	23 60	260 00	95 87	164 13	78
Summers, O. F. Burgess.....	200 00	162 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	70 00	37 00	270 00	199 00	71 00	1 64
Hillsdale Miss., R. H. Wheeler.	200 00	100 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	30 00	260 00	130 00	130 00	1 00
	\$5,132 00	\$4,032 82	\$66 00	\$36 00	\$63 00	\$63 00	\$1,300 00	\$971 48	\$6,561 00	\$5,103 30	\$1457 70	\$2 24

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONTINUED.

LEXINGTON DISTRICT. (John L. Gilbert, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTE- RIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.						
Lexington Sta., Wm. K. Boyle.	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00	\$225 00	\$225 00	\$75 00	\$75 00	\$190 00	\$190 00	\$1,490 00	\$1,490 00	.....	\$8 01
Collierstown, A. Q. Flaherty..	500 00	250 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	110 00	55 00	610 00	305 00	305 00	1 78
Fairfield Mis. { J. S. Porter...	400 00	219 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	140 00	77 00	553 00	303 00	250 00	96
{ R. G. Simmons	13 00	7 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Augusta Cir., A. Weller.....	565 00	565 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	100 00	100 00	665 00	665 00	.....	2 68
W. Augusta Miss., S. B. Dolly.	410 00	214 21	Par.	.....	.....	.....	100 00	53 00	510 00	267 21	242 79	2 12
Up. Botetourte, W. W. Hederick	400 00	269 79	Par.	.....	.....	.....	95 00	60 00	495 00	329 79	165 21	1 88
Covington, W. T. Quinn.....	550 00	400 59	Par.	.....	20 00	.....	100 00	72 84	670 00	473 43	196 57	2 83
Alleghany, Henry S. Watts...	150 00	31 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	16 40	200 00	47 70	152 30	47
Monterey, { T. Hildebrand...	550 00	426 66	Par.	.....	.....	.....	140 00	140 00	815 00	691 66	123 34	2 30
{ M. Scanlan.....	125 00	125 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Crab Bottom, R. H. Wilson...	400 00	212 36	Par.	.....	.....	.....	110 00	58 41	510 00	270 77	239 23	2 23
Highland, H. D. Bishop.....	305 00	275 17	.....	.....	.....	.....	90 00	81 52	395 00	356 69	38 31	3 30
Bath, S. S. Ryder.....	425 00	206 12	Par.	.....	.....	.....	95 00	46 07	520 00	252 19	267 81	2 00
Green Valley Miss., A. H. Way.	300 00	101 00	20 00	20 00	...	...	30 00	12 00	350 00	133 00	217 00	2 46
	\$6,093 00	\$4,303 20	\$245 00	\$245 00	\$95 00	\$75 00	\$1,350 00	\$962 24	\$7,783 00	\$5,585 44	\$2197 56	\$2 54

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—CONCLUDED.

MOOREFIELD DISTRICT. (Peter H. Whisner, P. E.)	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	Salary.		House Rent.		Trav. Expenses		Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Ass'd.	Paid.						
Moorefield, Wm. H. Wilson ..	\$700 00	\$700 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	\$120 00	\$120 00	\$820 00	\$820 00	.....	\$4 12
Petersburg, J. H. D. C. Hanna.	300 00	196 16	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	32 91	350 00	229 07	120 93	2 79
Franklin, S. R. Snapp.....	500 00	500 00	Par.	.....	.....	.....	70 00	70 00	570 00	570 00	.....	2 55
Keyser City, Wesley Hammond	400 00	400 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	60 00	460 00	460 00	.....	5 34
S. Branch, { J. S. Hutchinson.	625 00	552 30	.....	.....	.....	.....	130 00	114 81	920 00	812 86	107 14	2 76
{ J. Kyle Gilbert...	165 00	145 75	Par.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Springfield, { James H. Wolff	500 00	500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	120 00	120 00	785 00	785 00	.....	4 13
{ T. G. Nevitt...	165 00	165 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
N. River, Jno. W. Shreve.....	175 00	162 92	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 00	42 20	221 00	205 12	15 88	1 25
Hardy Miss., W. Varner.....	150 00	97 54	.....	.....	.....	.....	36 00	23 41	186 00	120 95	65 05	1 49
Piedmont, J. L. Shipley.....	850 00	850 00	150 00	150 00	72 85	72 85	100 00	100 00	1,172 85	1,172 85	.....	7 24
Frostburg, C. E. Simmons....	200 00	200 00	.....	.....	12 00	12 00	40 00	40 00	252 00	252 00	.....	4 16
Listonville, L. R. Markwood..	200 00	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	35 00	35 00	235 00	235 00	.....	2 58
Cumberland, G. H. Zimmerman	900 00	900 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	48 00	48 00	948 00	948 00	.....	11 28
Flint Stone, J. Beatty.....	650 00	465 84	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	71 16	750 00	537 00	213 00	3 72
Ramsburg, J. R. Andrew.....	270 00	255 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	25 00	295 00	280 00	15 00	4 91
S. Fork Miss., A. C. McNeer.	.....	38 57	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	15 00	.....	38 57	overpaid	1 33
	\$6,750 00	\$6,329 08	\$150 00	\$150 00	\$84 85	\$84 85	\$995 00	\$902 49	\$7,979 85	\$7,466 42	\$537 00	\$3 83

FINANCIAL EXHIBIT—RECAPITULATION.

NAME OF DISTRICT.	PREACHER'S ALLOWANCE.						PRESID'G ELDER'S CLAIM.		TOTAL FOR MINISTERIAL SUPPORT.		Deficiency.	Payment per Member.
	House Rent.		Salary.		Trav. Expenses.		Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.		
	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.	Assessed.	Paid.						
Baltimore District....	\$14,870 50	\$13,737 98	\$1,541 00	\$1,519 95	\$192 50	\$105 15	\$2,000 00	\$1,829 79	\$18,604 00	\$17,192 87	\$1,411 13	\$4 99
E. Baltimore "	12,091 00	10,443 81	401 00	301 00	93 50	43 50	2,006 00	1,776 76	14,591 50	12,565 07	2,026 43	4 40
Washington "	14,955 00	13,953 98	1,049 00	960 30	235 00	215 00	1,651 00	1,544 02	17,890 00	16,673 30	1,216 70	3 41
Winchester "	9,640 00	8,288 65	534 00	397 00	172 83	172 83	1,283 00	1,268 47	11,629 83	10,126 95	1,502 88	2 72
Rockingham "	8,105 00	7,395 91	145 00	145 00	202 16	162 16	1,185 00	1,086 42	9,637 16	8,789 49	847 67	2 69
Roanoke "	5,522 00	4,526 23	72 00	.....	166 45	96 00	1,100 00	878 04	6,860 45	5,500 27	1,360 18	2 42
Lewisburg "	5,132 00	4,032 82	66 00	36 00	63 00	63 00	1,300 00	971 48	6,561 00	5,103 30	1,457 70	2 25
Lexington "	6,093 00	4,303 20	245 00	245 00	95 00	75 00	1,350 00	962 24	7,783 00	5,585 44	2,197 56	2 54
Moorefield "	6,750 00	6,329 08	150 00	150 00	84 85	84 85	995 00	902 49	7,979 85	7,466 42	513 43	3 84
This year.....	\$83,158 50	\$73,011 66	\$4,203 00	\$3,754 25	\$1,305 29	\$1,017 49	\$12,870 00	\$11,219 71	101,536 79	\$89,003 11	12,533 68	\$3 81
Last year.....	81,833 50	68,856 28	4,178 50	3,987 58	904 32	636 72	13,230 00	11,149 47	100,146 32	84,630 05	15,516 27	3 33
Increase.....	\$1,325 00	\$4,155 38	\$24 50		\$400 97	\$380 77		\$70 24	\$1,390 47	\$4,373 06		
Decrease.....				\$233 33			\$360 00				\$2,982 59	\$ 02

Of 132 Circuits and Stations, 47 paid in full—95 report deficiencies.

AVERAGE AMOUNT TO PREACHERS.

Amount paid to 45 unmarried preachers.....	\$8,827 79
Average amount to each unmarried preachers.....	\$196 17
Amount paid to 125 married preachers for salary, exclusive of parsonage, or house rent and traveling expenses.....	75,403 58
Average amount to each married preacher for salary, exclusive of house rent and traveling expenses.....	603 22
Amount paid to 170 preachers, in all, married and single, for salary, exclusive of house rent and traveling expenses.....	84,231 37
Average pay for each preacher of the Conference, exclusive of amount for house rent, &c	495 47

Pastoral Charges which paid most per member for Ministerial Support, in the year ending March, 1876.

	Per Member.
Baltimore District—Bladensburg Circuit paid.....	\$11 88
Arlington and Pikesville paid.....	10 84
East Baltimore District—Trappe Station paid.	9 33
Trinity Station, Baltimore, paid.....	8 24
Washington District—Mount Vernon Place paid.....	12 60
Fredericksburg paid.....	5 62
Winchester District—Front Royal and Riverton paid.....	5 87
Martinsburg paid.....	5 14
Rockingham District—Shenandoah Iron Works paid.....	11 15
Staunton paid.....	4 49
Harrisonburg paid.....	4 46
Roanoke District—Salem paid.....	3 90
Blacksburg paid.....	3 89
Lewisburg District—Union paid.....	6 00
Levelton paid.....	5 69
Lexington District—Lexington Station paid.....	8 01
Highland Circuit paid.....	3 30
Moorefield District—Cumberland Station paid.....	11 28
Piedmont Station paid.....	7 24

The four Charges which paid most per Member in the whole Conference, as follows :

Mt. Vernon Place, Washington District, paid.....	\$12 60
Bladensburg Circuit, Baltimore District, paid.....	11 88
Cumberland Station, Moorefield District, paid.....	11 28
Shenandoah Iron Works, Rockingham District, paid.....	11 15

THE FOLLOWING PLAN OF FINANCE,

*Adopted by the Conference of 1875, is here published by order of
the Conference at this session.*

PLAN OF FINANCE FOR CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.

Believing that the mortifying deficiencies which from year to year are reported by our preachers, arise more from a want of some systematic plan well carried out, than from a want of ability to pay, we recommend the following plan for your adoption :

I. At the first Quarterly Conference, after the Stewards shall have ascertained the amount of the preachers' allowance and the Presiding Elder's claim, and apportioned the same to the several appointments of the charge, and determined in how many installments the yearly contributions shall be paid, in accordance with the discipline, then let the Stewards, with such other judicious brethren as they may call to their aid, assess the amount it is expected to raise at each appointment, upon all the members of the Church, individually, according to their several ability.

This assessment to be regarded as a suggestion as to what, in the judgment of the Stewards, each member ought to pay, and what is necessary to meet the demand.

II. This being done, the Stewards should see all the members of the Church as soon as practicable, and if possible, get them to agree to their assessments; if not, then say what they *will* contribute.

III. Then let a Church Conference be called at the earliest possible day, at every appointment, and let the Stewards announce what has been done.

Each Steward shall keep in a book the names of the members assigned to him, with the amounts assessed to each, and he shall be expected to see that the amounts assessed are brought up in full.

IV. Let a Church Conference be held at the close of each quarter, at every appointment, and let one of the Stewards read out what has been assessed and how much has been paid by each member at said appointment.

The preachers shall urge our people to a more general attendance upon the Church Conferences; and it shall be the duty of the Presiding Elders to aid in this matter, and urge its importance upon both preachers and people, wherever it may be necessary.

We earnestly recommend that no man shall be elected to the office of Steward out of mere compliment; and that no inefficient person be retained where it is possible to secure the services of men otherwise qualified according to the discipline, who would probably be more diligent and efficient in matters of finance.

The attention of our preachers and people is hereby called especially to paragraph 4, Section I, Chapter IX, page 156 of the discipline, on this subject.



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